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Must mean something
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"A skeleton goes into
a bar and orders
a drink ... and a mop."

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TASCHEN
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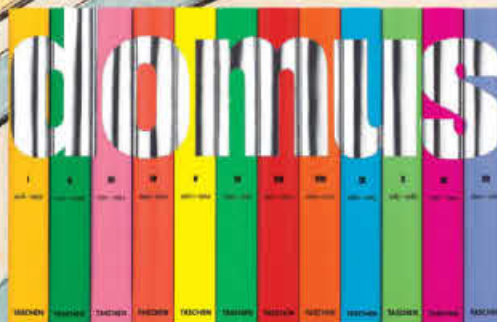
The TASCHEN-creative team went out to lunch (and never came back). So we turn to the genius of our devoted readers to come up with some brilliant solutions. Fill in the blank balloons numbered 1-8 and email to emptyballoons@taschen.com

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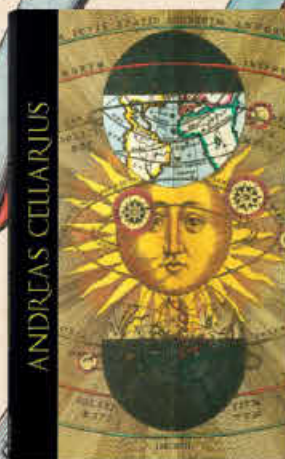
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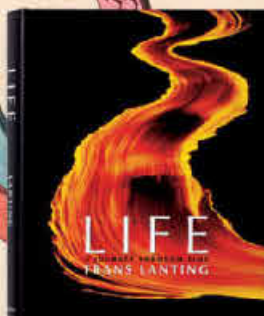
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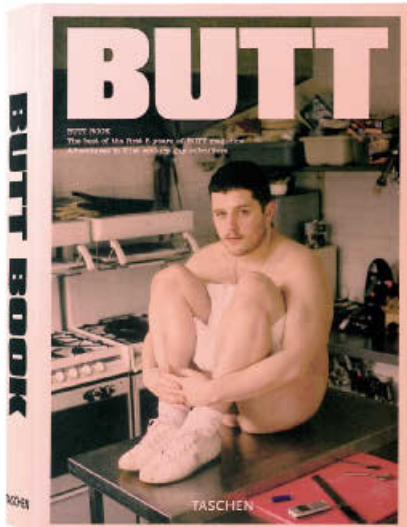
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Putting the sex back into homosexuality

The best of BUTT magazine so far



With sexy pictures of, and candid interviews with:

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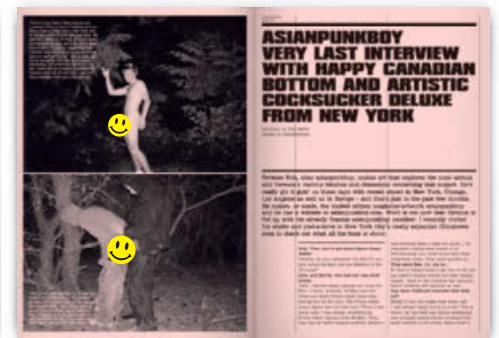
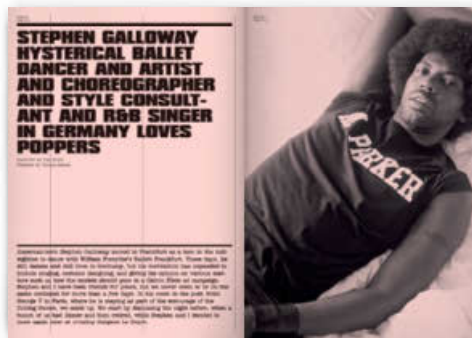
BUTT BOOK

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Celebrating *BUTT* magazine's fifth anniversary, this book is a selection of the most fantastic and the most ridiculous interviews and photos that have appeared in *BUTT* so far. This anthology also finally makes a lot of material from the now rare, earlier issues of *BUTT* available again. For your (in)convenience, the timeline in the book runs backwards, from the here and now all the way back to the summer of 2001, when the first issue of *BUTT* landed with a bang. Like the magazine itself, this book offers an often amazingly realistic view on today's homosexual man, including conversations with Michael Stipe, Gus van Sant, Rufus Wainwright, Marc Jacobs, as well as

contributions from Wolfgang Tillmans, Terry Richardson, Hedi Slimane, Asianpunkboy, and Helmut Lang, just to name a few. "*BUTT* has single-handedly pioneered the notion of a smart, literate gay magazine yet also manages to be very dirty," notes filmmaker Bruce LaBruce in his foreword. "*BUTT* matters. *BUTT* fills a hole."

The editors: Journalist and editor **Gert Jonkers** is currently fashion editor for the Dutch daily newspaper *De Volkskrant*. He has also been a contributing writer for *Esquire*, *Dutch*, *View on Colour*, and *Self Service*.

Designer and editor: **Jop van Bennekom** established *Re-Magazine* as a personal platform, worked for a year as the art director for *Blvd.*, designed the architecture magazine *Forum* (which won the Rotterdam Design Prize in 2001). Van Bennekom is editor, designer, art director, author, strategist, and publisher in one. Together, Jonkers and van Bennekom launched *BUTT* in 2001 and "menswear style journal" *Fantastic Man* in 2005.

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table, TASCHEN takes the proverbial coconut cream." —ATTITUDE, London

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arte e stile nella casa

arte e stile nell'industria (industrial design)

269 aprile 1952



DOMUS 1928–1999

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Seven decades of domus: the best of the best in 12 volumes, 7,000 pages and 20,000 images

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For over seventy-five years, *domus* has been hailed as the world's most influential architecture and design journal. Founded in 1928 by the great Milanese architect Gio Ponti, the magazine's central agenda has always remained that of creating a privileged insight toward identifying the style of a particular age, from Art Deco, Modern Movement, Functionalism and Postwar to Pop, Post-Modernism and Late Modern. Beautifully designed and comprehensively documented, page after page *domus* presents some of the most exciting design and architecture projects from around the world. TASCHEN's twelve-volume reprint features selected highlights from the years 1928 to 1999. Reproducing the pages as they originally appeared, each volume is packed with articles that bring to light the incredible history of modern design and architecture. This set of 12 volumes

reflects one-to-one the actual size of the original *domus* magazine. A truly comprehensive lexicon of styles and movements, the volumes are accompanied by specially commissioned introductory texts that not only outline the history of the magazine but also describe what was happening in design and architecture during each era covered. These texts have been written by many of the magazine's renowned past editors: **Mario Bellini, François Burkhardt, Cesare Maria Casati, Stefano Casciani, Germano Celant, Manolo De Giorgi, Fulvio Irace, Vittorio Magnago Lampugnani, Alessandro Mendini, Lisa Licitra Ponti, Ettore Sottsass Jr., Luigi Spinelli, Deyan Sudjic**. The volumes have also been thoroughly indexed, allowing the reader easy access to key articles—many of which have been translated into English for the first time.

TASCHEN's *domus* collection is a major publishing achievement and an important must-have for all design and architecture teaching institutions, practicing architects, designers, collectors, students, and anyone who loves design.

The editors: **Charlotte and Peter Fiell** run a design consultancy in London specializing in the sale, acquisition, study and promotion of design artifacts. They have lectured widely, curated a number of exhibitions, and written numerous articles and books on design and designers, including TASCHEN's *1000 Lights*, *1000 Chairs*, *Design of the 20th Century*, *Industrial Design A–Z*, *Designing the 21st Century*, *Graphic Design for the 21st Century*, and *Scandinavian Design*.

catalog, is anticipating the emerging genre of design pornography." —METROPOLIS, *New York*

A Privileged Insight into Architecture and Design



This twelve volume reprint—covering the years 1928–1999 and including over 7,000 pages and 20,000 images—charts the extraordinary history of modern architecture and design, from the birth of the International Style to Late Modern. This project has been both an exciting collaboration between two major publishing companies, and a wonderful journey of discovery. It has allowed our editors to work as archeologists, unearthing long-forgotten gems of architecture and design from over 200,000 original pages that they have scoured for our final selection of highlights.

Gio Ponti's Vision

Since its inception in 1928, *domus* has been guided by Gio Ponti's vision of a forum that would offer a privileged insight into the style of a particular age, while also identifying and promoting the work of its "discoveries": the most progressive designers and architects working in Italy (such as Studio BBPR and Carlo Mollino) and abroad (from Richard Neutra to Richard Rogers). The most important journal of its kind, with a national and international profile, *domus* has had a major influence on Italian visual culture, and on architecture and design worldwide. Moreover, the importance of what the magazine chose to feature was (and still is) matched by the cutting-edge graphic design used in its presentation. For instance, the sheer dynamism of the covers (many by famous designers/artists such as Herbert Bayer, Herbert Matter, Paul Rand, Max Bill, Paul Klee, Lucio Fontana, Le Corbusier, Charles Eames, Milton Glaser, and, of course, Gio Ponti himself) was startlingly forward-looking and placed the publication firmly within the avant-garde.

Rotation of Talent

domus originally started out as a lifestyle magazine with articles on cookery, gardening, and even animal husbandry. After the first few issues, though, it increasingly focused on its strengths: architecture, interior design, product and industrial design, and, to a lesser extent, fine art and photography. Since Ponti's departure from the editorship in the 1960s, the publication has maintained its visual and intellectual vitality in part through its unique policy of replacing its main editor every five years. This rotation of talent has brought a variety of leading figures to the role, including Cesare Maria Casati, Alessandro Mendini, and Mario Bellini. Each newcomer is also expected to appoint an art director to implement a complete redesign of the magazine. Naturally the interests of these editors have led to different directions and emphases—for example, the Bellini and Mendini periods stand in marked contrast to each other in terms of content and aesthetics.

We have remained faithful to the original layouts, organizing the selected pages chronologically, with decade title spreads (showing all the magazine's covers) dividing up the years to assist with orientation. We have also included some of the original advertising to contextualize the featured articles, which is graphically interesting in its own right. The end result condenses the original material (which requires about 20 meters of wall-space) into

Top: The publisher of *domus*, Gianni Mazzocchi, with Lisa Licitra Ponti and Gio Ponti in the Ponti studio, Via Dezza, Milan, 1953 **Bottom:** The space used in Gio Ponti's Via Dezza studio by the small editorial staff of *domus* magazine. In the photo: Lisa Licitra Ponti and Enrichetta Ritter, c. 1952

twelve volumes without (we hope) compromising the integrity of the 72 years of *domus*' history featured here. The selection process was revelatory: from the surprising formal richness of the 1940s to the experimental exuberance of the early 1970s. Equally interesting was the Milanese design community's rejection of stylistically restrictive movements, and its tireless promotion of lifestyle within the pages of *domus*, dubbed the "Mediterranean megaphone." This relaxed and informal Italian approach to domestic design became a model for the international design community in the 1950s.

Introductory Essays by Illustrious Editors

In addition to our selection of highlights, two introductory essays accompany each volume. The first outlines the history of *domus* for the specific period it covers; the second, which functions more as a personal reminiscence, is written by one of *domus*'s illustrious ex-editors about their time at the helm, or by one of the magazine's most important contributors, such as Lisa Licitra Ponti and Ettore Sottsass Jr. There are also newly created sub-lines that provide key caption data as well as information concerning text continuations, original translations, and newly translated texts, which the reader will find in the annex. Significantly, many articles have been translated into English for the very first time. Each volume has a comprehensive index, including both designers' and manufacturers' names. In conjunction with the master index on CD, this will prove an invaluable research tool.

An Idea Still Valid Today

Working alongside the editorial team at *domus*, we have come to appreciate its goal of showing the highest quality work from around the world, illustrated and explained by the best photographers and writers. Beyond this we have come to understand the journal's search for a philosophy rather than a theory of design that offers a highly intellectual yet non-prescriptive agenda for its practice. At *domus*, design encompasses everything—"from the spoon to the city"—and to be worthy of inclusion on its pages, a project must have graceful beauty, practical function, spatial clarity, intellectual persuasion, and/or relevant originality. Gio Ponti's vision of a forum for important design and architecture is therefore still firmly rooted in the ethos of *domus*. This idea has lasted because the magazine continues to be infused with both a deeply held passion for excellence in man-made objects, and an overriding belief that these interlocking disciplines have crucial political responsibilities that should transcend the vagaries of fashion and enrich our world.





DOMUS, VOL. I (1928–1939)
Introductory essay by Fulvio Irace



DOMUS, VOL. II (1940–1949)
Introductory essay by Manolo De Giorgi



DOMUS, VOL. III (1950–1954)
Introductory essay by Lisa Licitra Ponti



DOMUS, VOL. IV (1955–1959)
Introductory essay by Ettore Sottsass Jr.



DOMUS, VOL. V (1960–1964)
Introductory essay by Stefano Casciani



DOMUS, VOL. VI (1965–1969)
Introductory essay by Deyan Sudjic



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Introductory essay by Cesare Maria Casati



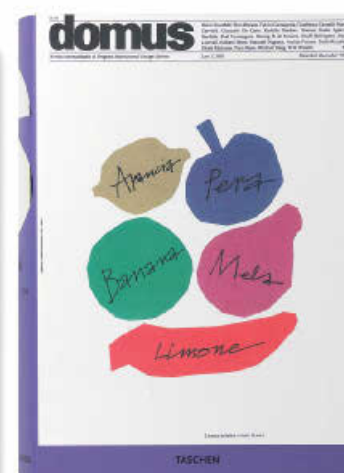
DOMUS, VOL. IX (1980–1984)
Introductory essay by Alessandro Mendini



DOMUS, VOL. X (1985–1989)
Introductory essay by Mario Bellini



DOMUS, VOL. XI (1990–1994)
Introductory essay by
Vittorio Magnago Lampugnani



DOMUS, VOL. XII (1995–1999)
Introductory essay by François Burkhardt

Due sedie

Sedia a schienale alto con inclinatore
Mario Tschudi, arch.

Il sedile in compensato curvato, si posiziona nello schienale all'indietro e si inclina verso l'alto per l'appoggio della testa. L'altreza stessa permette un adeguato sostegno all'indietro. Sedile e schienale sono imbottiti con un cuscino continuo di piumonatura la cui federa in stoffa è fissata al compensato stesso mediante bottoni in legno passanti, sul tipo di quelli dei cappotti alla Montgumery entrati nella moda comune. Lo schienale-sedile è fissato alla cornice delle quattro gambe a mezzo di sguaiature metalliche. Si noti l'elemento di irrigidimento fissato posteriormente allo schienale, disegnato in modo da permettere ugualmente un graduale molleggio. Lo stesso elemento a sguaiatura, completo del cuscino, può essere fissato a un analogo sistema di gambe realizzato in metallo.

L'altreza stessa dello schienale in una prima curvatura, insieme da una parte al irrigidimento, permette un adeguato sostegno all'indietro.



La sedia nella posizione di riposo

Sedia a schienale inclinabile
a dondolo
Mario Tschudi, arch.

Le due parti che compongono questa sedia, la cui imbottitura è costituita da un solo cuscino la cui piumonatura (fissata in staffe di canapa e fissata al legno mediante bottoni, sono interpretate a un unico uso di forma. Mediante un collegamento a vite le due parti sono fissabili in due posizioni distinte. Nella prima, le estremità delle gambe poggiano tutte e quattro sul pavimento. In questa posizione la sedia è una normale poltrona da riposo per bambini. Nella seconda posizione, la linea curva delle due gambe si continua in un unico arco di cerchio; in tal modo la poltrona appoggia su due viti ed è possibile imprimere un leggero movimento dondolante. Poiché in quest'ultima posizione la poltrona viene a trovarsi più bassa, la possibilità del dondolo ne fa una vera ancora per il riposo e il sonno. La parte in legno è realizzata in frassino con le traverse in noce naturale; le parti metalliche sono verniciate in nero.



La sedia nella posizione di dondolo

domus 208
July 1974

Two Chairs

Modular plywood chair and rocking chair designed by Mario Tschudi



domus 298
September 1974

Italy in New York

Obvise showroom in New York designed by Ludovico Barbiana di Belgiojoso, Enrico Perissani and Luciano N. Ruggeri (Studio 101PR), general view

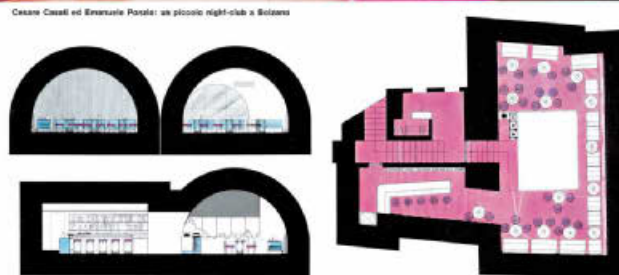
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Cesare Casati ed Emanuele Piretti: un piccolo night-club a Bolzano

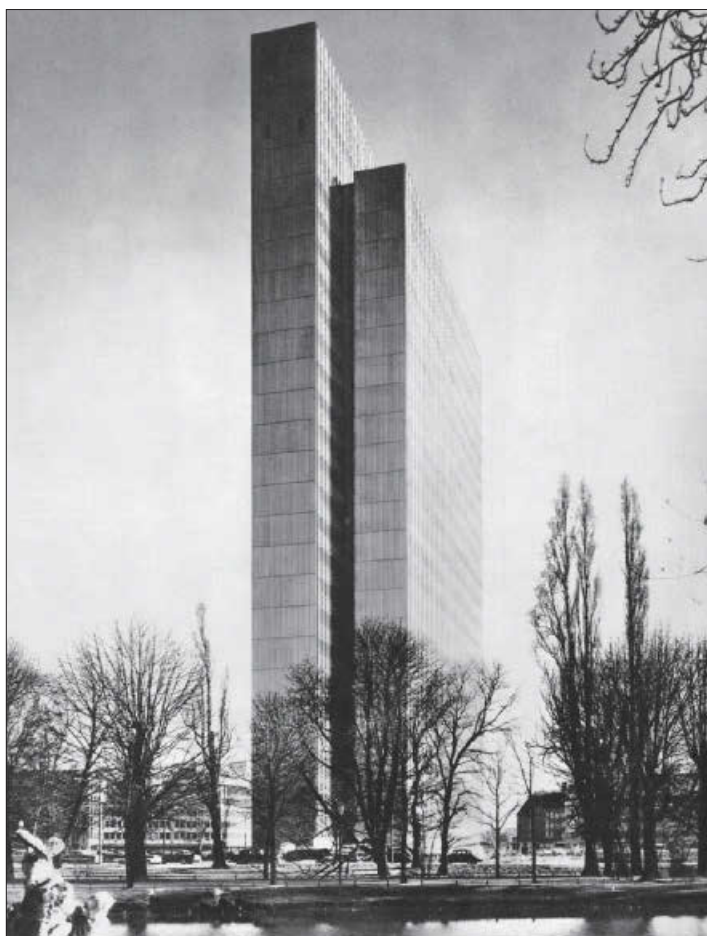


Converted from an old cellar, the nightclub is a very small tunnel-shaped room. Hanging from the ceiling over the dance-floor dancing floor, a large translucent "couch" made from sheets of transparent PVC — cut and in the shape of clouds by Gino Marzotti — muffles the noise from the floor for those sitting at the tables. A long ledge in green enameled metal (also designed by Gino Marzotti) runs the full length of the tunnel. All the furniture are in 3-dimensional, translucent, pigmented to react to the dance light that comes from the bases of the tables when the tables are lit up. The translucent metal table legs are blue and white — with the shape of the music. The service trays are large disks of white metal with a hole in the middle, placed on the table-top.

domus 481
October 1979

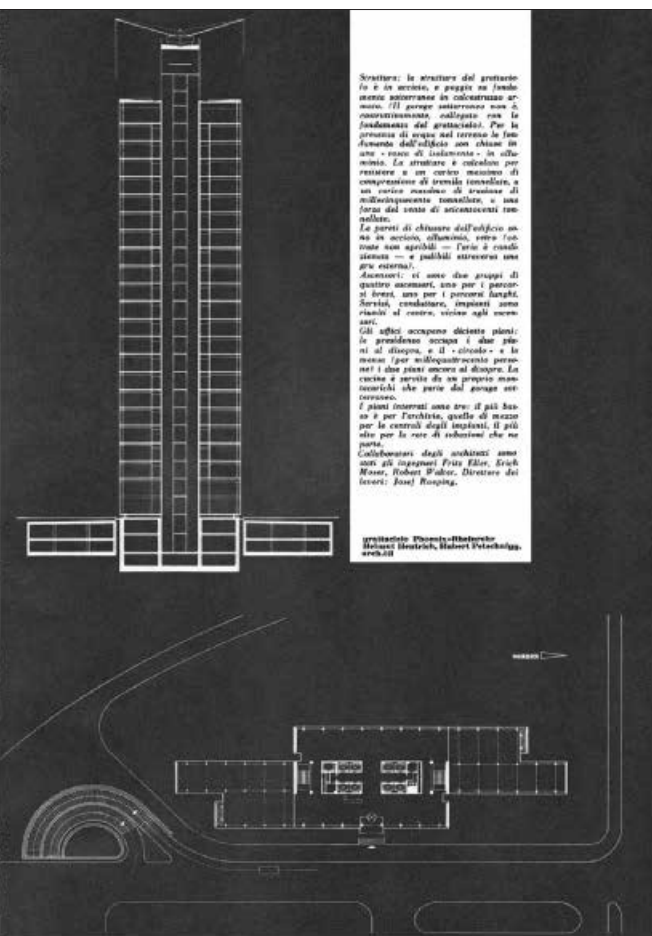
The Smallest Nightclub

Nightclub in Hotel Gelfner in Bolzano, Italy, designed by Cesare Casati and Emanuele Piretti in collaboration with Gino Marzotti, rooms of interior, detail of illuminated couch, enameled and floor plan.

domus 372
November 1960

Skyscraper in Düsseldorf

Phoenix-Rheinische administration building in Düsseldorf designed by Helmut Hesslich and Hubert Peteschlagg in collaboration with E. Heiser, E. Meier and R. Weber (ground elevation, section and floor plan).



Struttura: la struttura del grattacielo è in acciaio, e poggia su fondo meno sporgente in calcestruzzo armato. Il garage sotterraneo non è costruttivamente collegato con la fondazione del grattacielo. Per la presenza di acqua nel terreno la fondazione dell'edificio non è stata in un tipo di isolamento — in alluminio. La struttura è costruita per resistere a un certo numero di componenti di livello sismico, a un certo numero di livelli di sovraccarico sismico, a una forza del vento di intensità tempestiva. Le pareti di chiusura dell'edificio sono in acciaio, allungate, con l'isolamento non apribile — l'aria è condizionale — e i padiglioni strutturali sono più esterni. Accanto: ci sono due gruppi di quattro piani, uno per i percorsi brevi, uno per i percorsi lunghi. Servizi, condottare, impianti sono raccolti al centro, vicino agli ascensori. Gli uffici occupano diciotto piani: la presidenza occupa i due piani al di sopra, e il "ciclo" e la mensa (per millequattrocento persone) i due piani ancora al di sopra. La cucina e servizi da un proprio manufatto che parte dal garage sotterraneo. I piani interrati sono tre: il più basso è per l'archivio, quello di mezzo per la centrale degli impianti, il più alto per la rete di telefonata che ne parte. Collaboratori degli architetti sono gli ingegneri Fritz Eiler, Erich Meier, Robert Faber. Direttore dei lavori: Josef Rüping.

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Helmut Hesslich, Hubert Peteschlagg,
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LIFE – A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME

Planet phenomenon

Our Earth as you've never seen it before

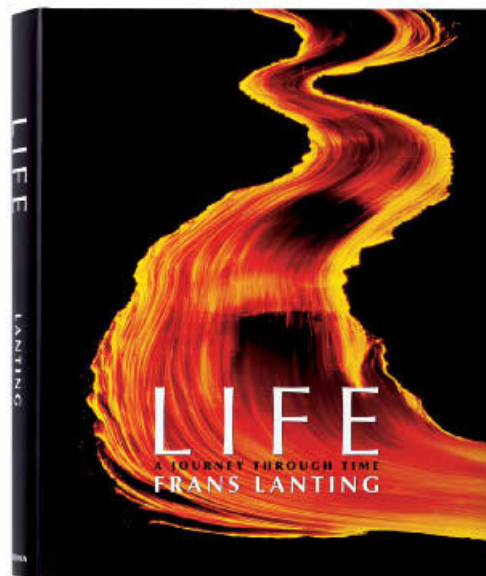


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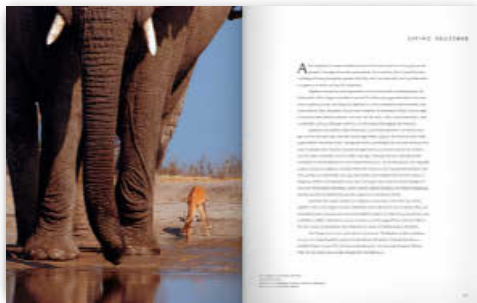
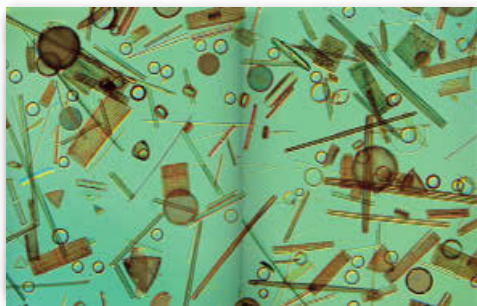
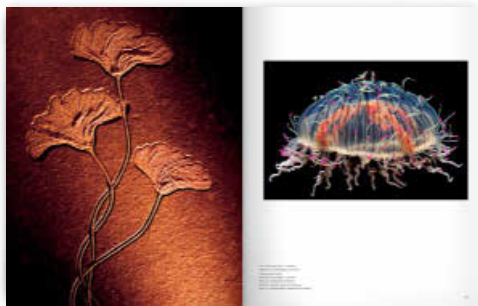
LIFE – A JOURNEY THROUGH TIME

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Opposite: Moon Jellies, California
Page 14–15: Quiver Trees, South Africa
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In the year 2000, world-renowned wildlife photographer Frans Lanting set out on a personal journey to photograph the evolution of life on Earth. He made pilgrimages to true time capsules like a remote lagoon in Western Australia, spent time in research collections photographing forms of microscopic life, and even found ways to create visual parallels between the growth of organs in the human body and the patterns seen on the surface of the Earth. The resulting volume is a glorious picture book of planet Earth depicting the amazing biodiversity that surrounds us all. Lanting's true gift lies beyond his

technical mastery: it is his eye for geometry in the beautiful chaos of nature that allows him to show us the world as it has never been seen before. From crabs to jellyfish, diatoms to vast geological formations, jungles to flowers, monkeys to human embryos, *LIFE* is a testament to the magical beauty of life in all its forms and is Lanting's most remarkable achievement to date.

The photographer: Dutch-born **Frans Lanting** has been hailed as one of the great nature photographers of our time. For the past two decades, he has documented

wildlife and our relationship with nature in environments from the Amazon to Antarctica. Exhibits of his photographs have been shown at major museums in Paris, Milan, Tokyo, New York, Madrid, and Amsterdam. Lanting's previous TASCHEN titles include *Eye to Eye*, *Jungles*, and *Penguin*.

The editor: **Christine Eckstrom** is a writer and editor specializing in natural history. She collaborates with Lanting on fieldwork, books, and other publishing projects from their home base in California.

of nature, and the artistry still possible with the camera." —LOS ANGELES TIMES, *Los Angeles*, on *Eye to Eye*





zeugen von großer Leidenschaft und großem Respekt vor der Welt der Tiere.” —NDR.DE, Hamburg, on Eye to Eye

“I wondered whether it might be possible to tell the story of life on Earth from its earliest beginnings.”

By Frans Lanting



tions to photograph the bewildering shapes of microscopic diatoms, the fluid geometries of oceanic jellies, and to visualize patterns inside the human body as parallels to patterns on the surface of the Earth. And I gained a new perspective on the snails that slide silently through my own backyard as echoes from an era when life was just crawling out of the sea.

Nature in most places appears as a chaotic mosaic of species that live together in the present but have their origins in different times. My challenge was to untangle nature from its entwinements in the present and represent the strands separately and chronologically. My goal

One spring evening seven years ago I stood at the tide line of an estuary in the eastern United States watching something that took me far back in time. I saw horseshoe crabs come out of the water to spawn, an ancient ritual that goes back hundreds of millions of years. That experience made me realize that I could see the past in the present. And I wondered whether it might be possible to tell the story of life on Earth from its earliest beginnings to its present diversity by capturing images that evoke nature through time. That is how the idea for this book was born. Ever since that encounter with horseshoe crabs, I've been on a personal journey through time, looking for situations in the natural world that provide a window on its past.

Nature appears as a chaotic mosaic of species that live together in the present but have their origins in different times

I made pilgrimages to haunting time capsules like Shark Bay, a remote lagoon in Western Australia, where life-forms whose lineage goes back more than three billion years still dominate the landscape. I joined an expedition to a secluded valley of spewing geysers and hissing hot springs in Siberia's Kamchatka Peninsula for a glimpse of the conditions that may have nurtured the birth of life itself. I immersed myself in museums and research collec-



was to create a sequence of images that can be viewed as slices through time. Out of necessity, this book presents a very selective interpretation of the history of life. My approach has been that of a storyteller who draws on characters for the sake of telling a larger tale. To weave my ideas together in a sequence that makes sense chronologically and thematically, I wrote a script, “A Journey Through Time,” which summarizes the main events expressed by the photographs.

The book's first chapter, “Elements,” interprets Earth's early history, before there was life, and consists of images that show interactions among the five classical elements originally recognized by Greek and Hindu philosophers:

earth, air, fire, water, and space. “Beginnings” traces life from its single-celled origins through its evolution into more complex forms in the sea. “Out of the Sea” deals with the phase when life ventured ashore but was still dependent on water as a medium for reproduction. “On Land” covers the period when plants and animals succeeded in colonizing solid ground. “Into the Air” highlights the evolutionary innovations of birds and flowering plants, a chapter that ends with the cataclysmic events that caused the demise of dinosaurs and many other life-forms. “Out of the Dark” portrays the rise of mammals, and the concluding chapter, “Planet of Life,”



envisions the collective force of life as a sixth element that shapes our planet.

We are living in an extraordinary time: Our knowledge about life on Earth is growing rapidly through advances in scientific disciplines ranging from microbiology to paleontology, from geology to astrobiology. The integration of that knowledge is increasing our understanding about the interconnected nature of life, and the role it plays as a whole in influencing the conditions that make this planet hospitable to life. That realization has inspired my work.

This book is my tribute to the kinship and continuity of all life on Earth

This book is a synthesis of my career. I started out as a wildlife photographer pursuing animals one at a time. As I learned more about their lives, my view grew to include their habitats, and animals became ambassadors for ecosystems. Biodiversity superseded ecosystems as a concept for understanding nature as a network made up of untold numbers of species. Yet every one of those living organisms has a unique origin in time, and that is the dimension I have attempted to convey in this book. It is humbling to imagine the immensity of time covered by the history of life on Earth. But that is what I plunged into, with curiosity and wonder. And I emerged from this journey with a different sense of myself in time. Life follows in the wake of *Eye to Eye*, which expressed the kinship of all animal life, and *Jungles*, which explored the complexities of nature in the tropics. I hope this book will contribute to bridging the gap between a naturalist's appreciation for nature and a scientist's understanding of life. It is my tribute to the kinship and continuity of all life on Earth.



Top left: Stromatolites, Western Australia **Top center:** Giant Tortoises in Pond, Galápagos Islands **Top right:** Marine Iguanas and Brown Pelican, Galápagos Islands **Left:** Volcano at Night, Hawaii **Opposite:** Water Lilies, Botswana

*“As a chronicler of natural history today,
Frans Lanting is a singular extraordinary talent.
He has the mind of a scientist,
the heart of a hunter, and the eyes of a poet.”*

—NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC, Washington, DC



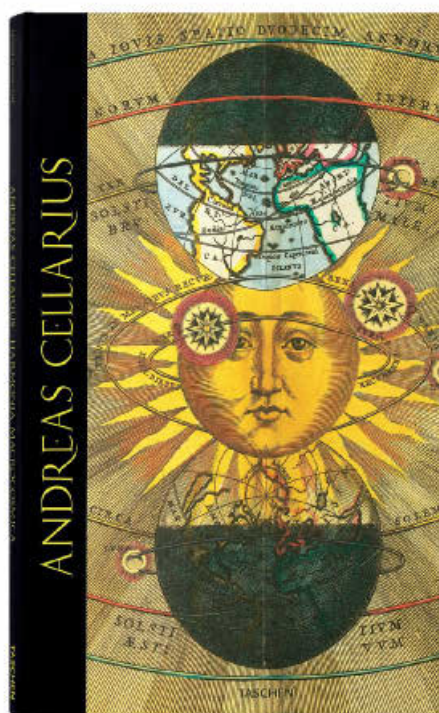
photographs and you immediately feel the presence of the animal before you.” —THE WASHINGTON POST, Washington, on Eye to Eye

The divine sky

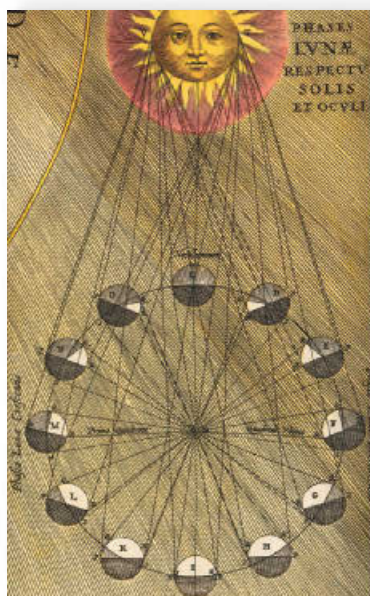
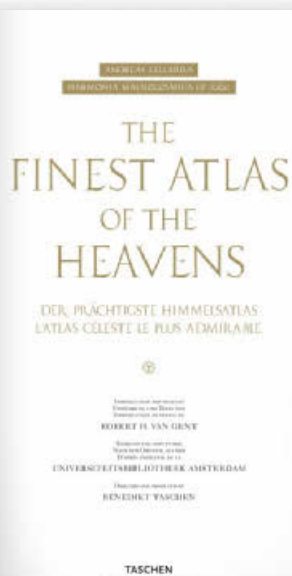
History's most beautiful celestial atlas



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Opposite: The planisphere of Tycho Brahe
drawn in a planar view



This collection of celestial maps by Dutch-German mathematician and cosmographer **Andreas Cellarius** (c. 1596–1665) brings back to life a masterpiece from the Golden Age of celestial cartography. First published in 1660 in the *Harmonia Macrocosmica*, the complete 29 double-folio maps and dozens of unusual details reproduced here depict the world systems of Claudius Ptolemy, Nicolaus Copernicus, and Tycho Brahe, the motions of the sun, the moon, and the planets, and the delineation of the constellations in various views. Cellarius's atlas, superbly embellished with richly decorated borders depicting cherubs, astronomers, and astronomical instruments, features some of the most spectacular illustration in the history of astronomy. This reprint, based on the meticulously hand-colored copy of the first edition in the Library of the Universiteit van Amsterdam, includes a copiously illustrated introduction by Robert H. van Gent, one of the leading Cellarius experts, summarizing the history of celestial cartography from antiquity to the late 17th/early 18th century and illuminating the life and work of Andreas Cellarius. Van Gent also discusses the

historical and cultural context and significance of the atlas and provides detailed descriptions of the astronomical and iconographical content of the plates, allowing modern readers to fully appreciate the masterwork of Andreas Cellarius and his publisher, Johannes Janssonius. The book's detailed appendix includes a list of constellations with short descriptions of their origin and mythology, a list of star names found on the plates, a glossary of technical terms, and a bibliography. Though these sumptuous maps have become famous by being depicted on postcards, calendars, portfolios, and even mouse pads, they have rarely been reproduced in book form and never with such comprehensive descriptions and details as this TASCHEN edition. Cellarius's exquisite renditions of the constellations will excite the astronomer in anyone.

The cosmographer: Born in Neuhausen, Germany, c. 1596, **Andreas Cellarius** studied at the University of Heidelberg before settling in Holland. Records indicate that Cellarius worked as a rector and schoolmaster, but little else is known about his life. Though he also pub-

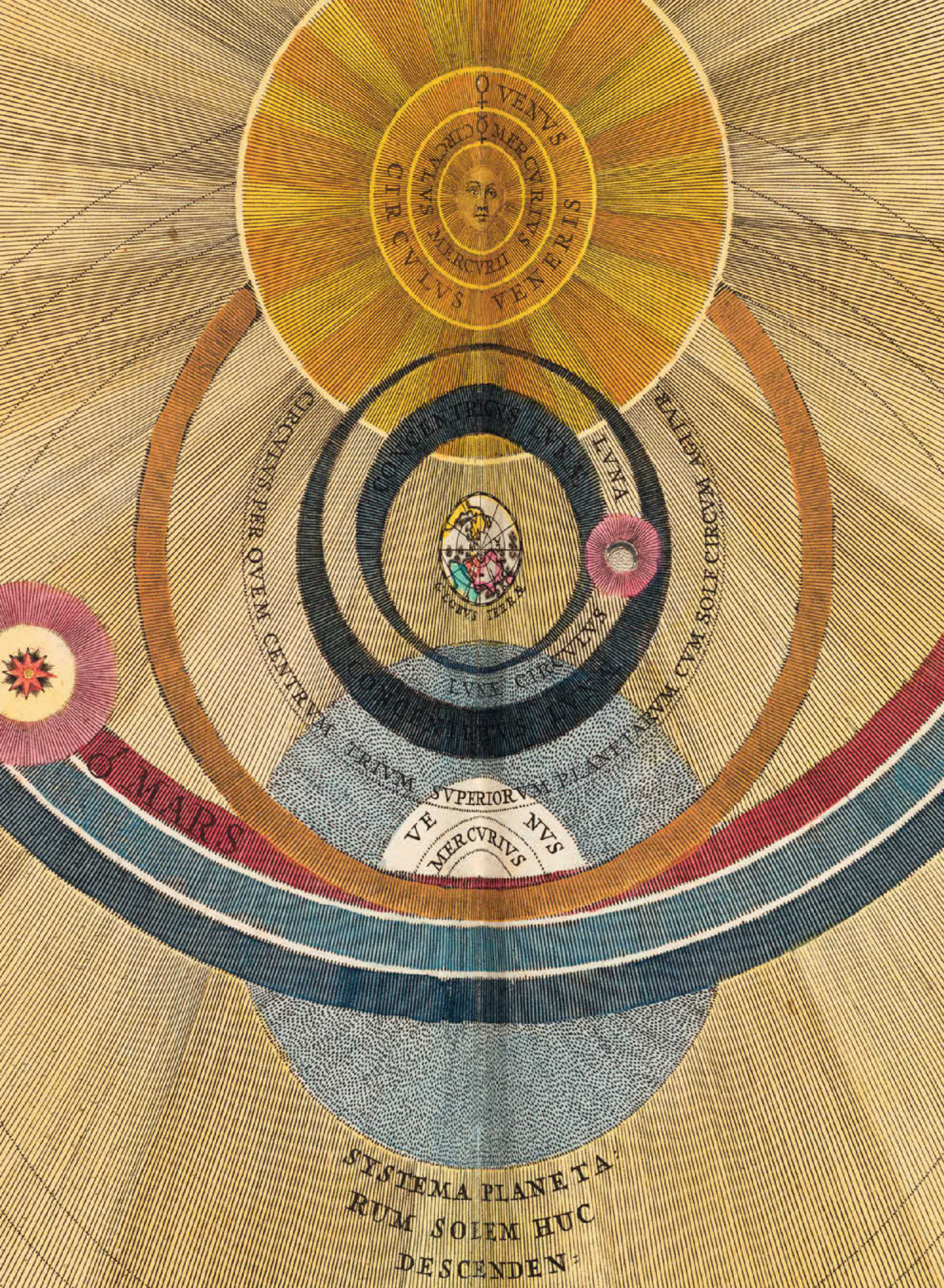
lished on the subjects of Poland and fortification, his greatest work was *Harmonia Macrocosmica*; indeed, during a period when cosmographical atlases flourished, his was the most spectacular.

The author: **Robert H. van Gent** is a collaborator on the Explorart Research Program for the History of Cartography at the University of Utrecht's Faculty of Geosciences. He has published on the history of astronomy, celestial cartography, and astronomical instruments. Since 2005, he has been working on a cartobibliography of celestial atlases, planispheres, and related items published in the Low Countries.

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Celestial Atlases, Celestial Globes and World Systems

From the dawn of humanity, the motions of the Sun, the Moon and the heavens must have incited people to admiration and study. The Sun and the Moon, the quintessential embodiments of day and night, already determined from very early on—long before the invention of writing—the three primary divisions of every calendar: the day, the month and the year. The constellations must also have been used for the regulation of the calendar at a very early stage in human history. The course of the Moon and its phases can be determined by simple observation, but the Sun's course across the heavens is obscured by the fact that sunlight overpowers the light of the stars that lie behind it. It is possible, however, to determine the position of the Sun in the celestial hemisphere by approximation, using those bright stars which rise in the east just before sunrise or set in the west just after sunset. In many ancient cultures, the most important moments in the agricultural year—for example, when it was time to sow or harvest—were indicated by the heliacal rising or setting of prominent stars or constellations. In the same way, the calendar—usually based on twelve months of 29 or 30 days that followed the phases of the Moon—was made to harmonize with the solar year of approximately 365 days by adding an intercalary month every couple of years.

The scientific description of the heavens

We owe the first scientific description of the heavens to the Greek astronomer Hipparchus of Nicaea, who was active on the island of Rhodes around 135 BC. According to a later tradition, the appearance of a new star—a nova or a comet—in the sky was supposedly the reason behind Hipparchus' decision to make a survey of the heavens. His original star catalogue has not survived, but can be substantially reconstructed from the surviving works of the Greek astronomer Claudius Ptolemy, who lived in Alexandria around AD 150. In his 13-volume Great mathematical handbook, later known as the *Almagest*, Ptolemy provides detailed instructions on how to calculate the positions of the Sun, Moon and planets along with an adapted version of Hipparchus' star catalogue. Ptolemy lists some 1,028 stars (with three duplicates), arranged in 48 separate constellations.

Ptolemy's world system

In addition to describing the constellations, the *Almagest* provides detailed information on calculating the positions of the Sun, the Moon and the planets. Ptolemy thereby proceeds from a geocentric worldview, according to which the Earth occupies a central, fixed position and the heavenly bodies revolve in circular motions around it. Since observations had already revealed that the Sun, Moon and planets did not revolve around the Earth at a uniform velocity, Ptolemy had to take refuge in a more complicated theory, developed around 200 BC by the Greek mathematician Apollonius of Perga, according to which the movements of the heavenly bodies were explained by a combination of two or more circular motions. Nevertheless Ptolemy's treatises would continue to exercise

a great deal of influence on later Islamic and European astronomers. His scheme for the distances and dimensions of the heavenly bodies would be followed almost without alteration until the late of the 16th century.

The demythologization of the heavens

With the aid of the telescope, it was possible to see stars that were not visible to the naked eye and to determine their positions with greater accuracy. As a consequence, the number of known stars rose from about 17,000 in around 1800 to some 300,000 by around 1900. The number of constellations depicted on globes and in atlases also increased—no less than 99 constellations feature in the monumental *Uranographia* published by Johann Elert Bode (1747–1826) in 1801, for example. Over the course of the 19th century, however, the figures illustrating the constellations would slowly disappear from professional celestial atlases. Some of the newly formed constellations fell into disuse, but it would take until the beginning of the 20th century before there was any consensus concerning the number and limits of the constellations. At a meeting of the International Astronomical Union (IAU) in 1928, the number of constellations was officially fixed at 88.

The *Harmonia Macrocosmica*—Genesis, contents and appreciation

The publication of Andreas Cellarius' *Harmonia Macrocosmica* in 1660 forms the final chapter of an ambitious

cartographic project initiated 25 years earlier by the Amsterdam publisher Johannes Janssonius (1588–1664), namely, the publication of an atlas in several volumes which described not only the surface of the Earth but the whole of Creation, including the cosmos and its history. The seeds of this plan had been sown nearly a century earlier by the renowned cartographer Gerard Mercator. In 1569, in the foreword to his *Chronologia*, Mercator stated his intention to publish an all-encompassing “cosmography”, a multi-volume atlas that would describe not only ancient and modern geography, but also the seas, the cities of the world, the firmament and chronology. Mercator published the first four volumes of his atlas between 1585 and 1589, with a supplementary fifth volume being published by his son Rumold (c. 1545–1599) in 1595. Following Mercator's death, his project was taken up by a succession of publishers, but it would be Johannes Janssonius who finally turned it into reality. In 1636 Janssonius and Henricus Hondius published the first version of their *Novus Atlas*, featuring some 320 maps in four languages. In 1650 Janssonius added a fifth volume, a nautical atlas with supplemental maps of the eastern hemisphere. A further volume was published between 1658 and 1662 and included the cartography of the ancient world. With the addition of Andreas Cellarius' *Harmonia Macrocosmica* in 1660 and an eight-volume compilation describing a number of cities (published in 1657), Janssonius' “description of the world”—in the meantime entitled the *Novus Atlas absolutissimus*—was now complete in terms of the form originally envisioned by

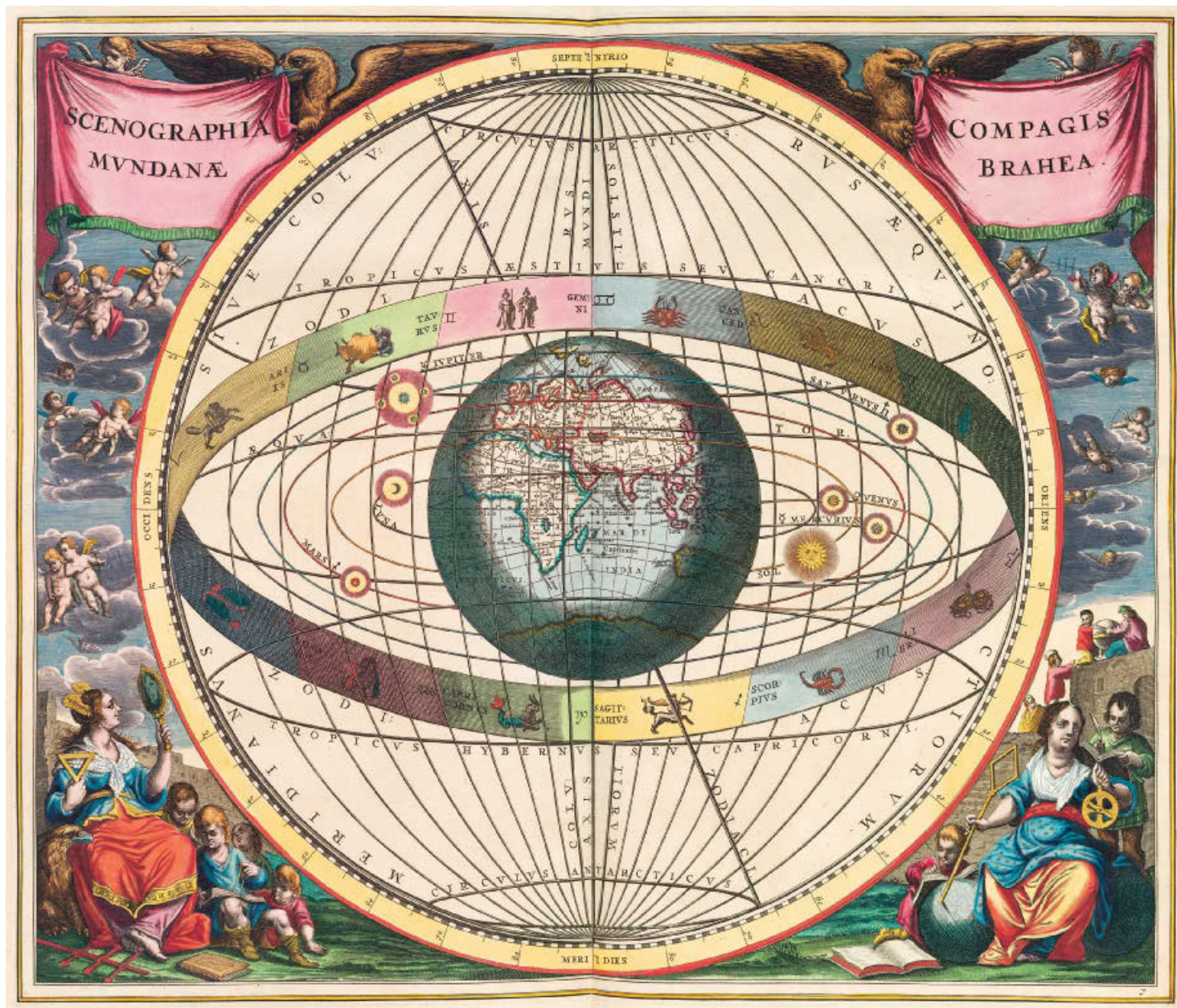


Opposite and right: The northern stella hemisphere with the terrestrial hemisphere lying between

A masterpiece from the Golden Age of celestial cartography

Opposite: Scenograph of the construction of the world according to Brahe

Page 22–23: The southern stellar hemisphere of antiquity

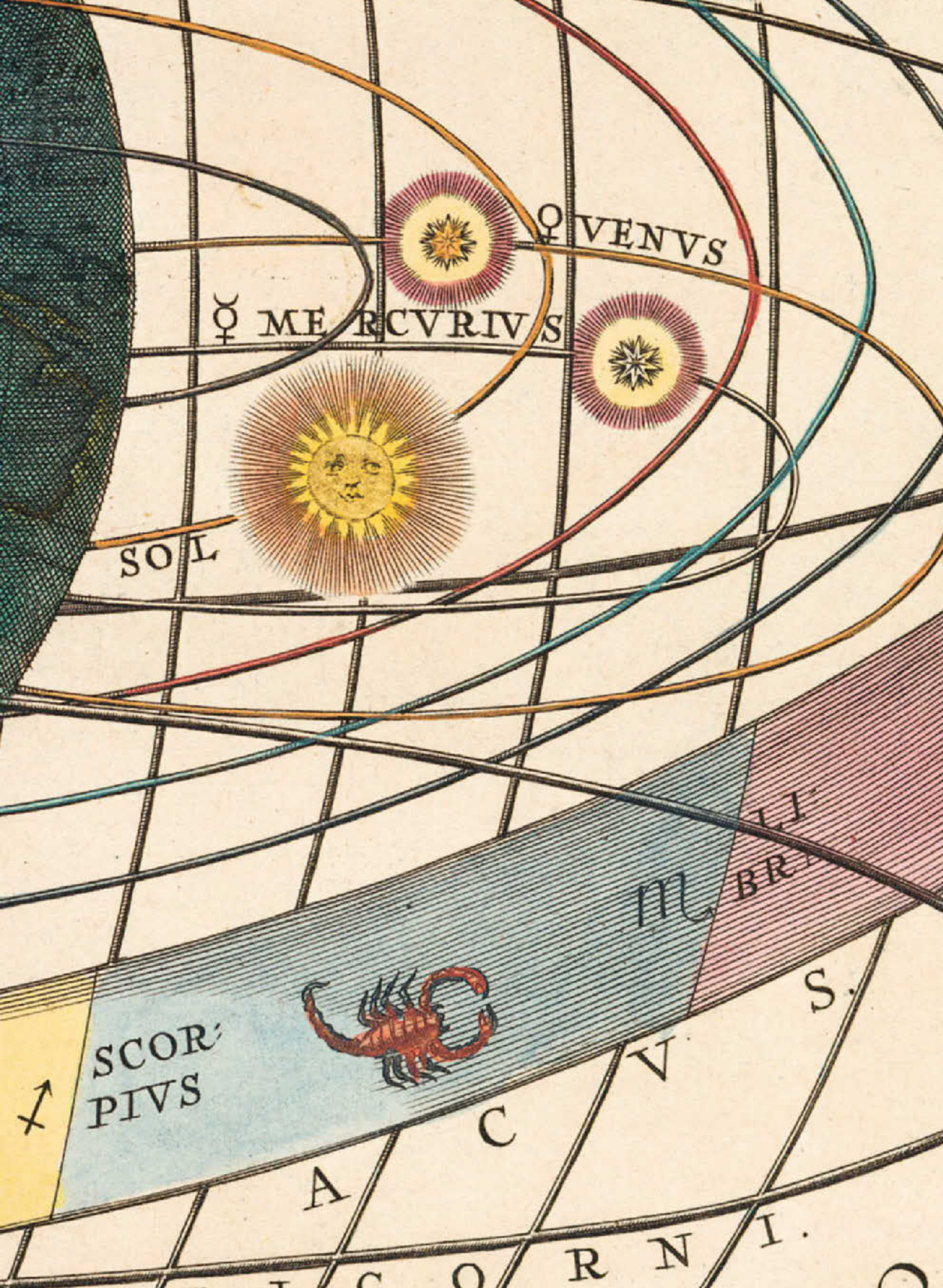


Mercator almost 100 years previously. In the foreword to his celestial atlas, which he dedicates to the English king Charles II, Andreas Cellarius explains that he originally drafted the plates and celestial maps contained within it solely for his own use, and for lovers of astronomy, but that after repeated appeals from the publisher, he had decided to make them available to a wider public. Although planned over two volumes, only the first volume of the *Harmonia Macrocosmica* was actually published. It describes the heavens and the most important world systems, above all that of Claudius Ptolemy. In the second volume, the world systems of Nicolaus Copernicus and Tycho Brahe were to be handled in more detail, along with a discussion of solar and lunar eclipses and a description of new discoveries made since the invention of the telescope.

The work is prefaced by a poem in praise of Cellarius by Johannes Christenius (1599/1600–c. 1672), professor of law at the Athenaeum Illustre in Amsterdam. The text consists of a long Praeloquium or foreword in which the history of astronomy is presented, followed by the actual text, in which the 29 folio plates contained in the work are discussed in detail. The majority of the plates represent the Ptolemaic, geocentric world system. Just one plate (8) reflects to the alternative geocentric system proposed by the Roman author Martianus Capella (5th century AD). This plate is derived from an illustration in the Leiden Aratea and for this reason wrongly attributed to Aratus. The Copernican system is dealt with in two plates, while the worldview of Tycho Brahe is depicted in three plates. A detailed description of these last two world systems was

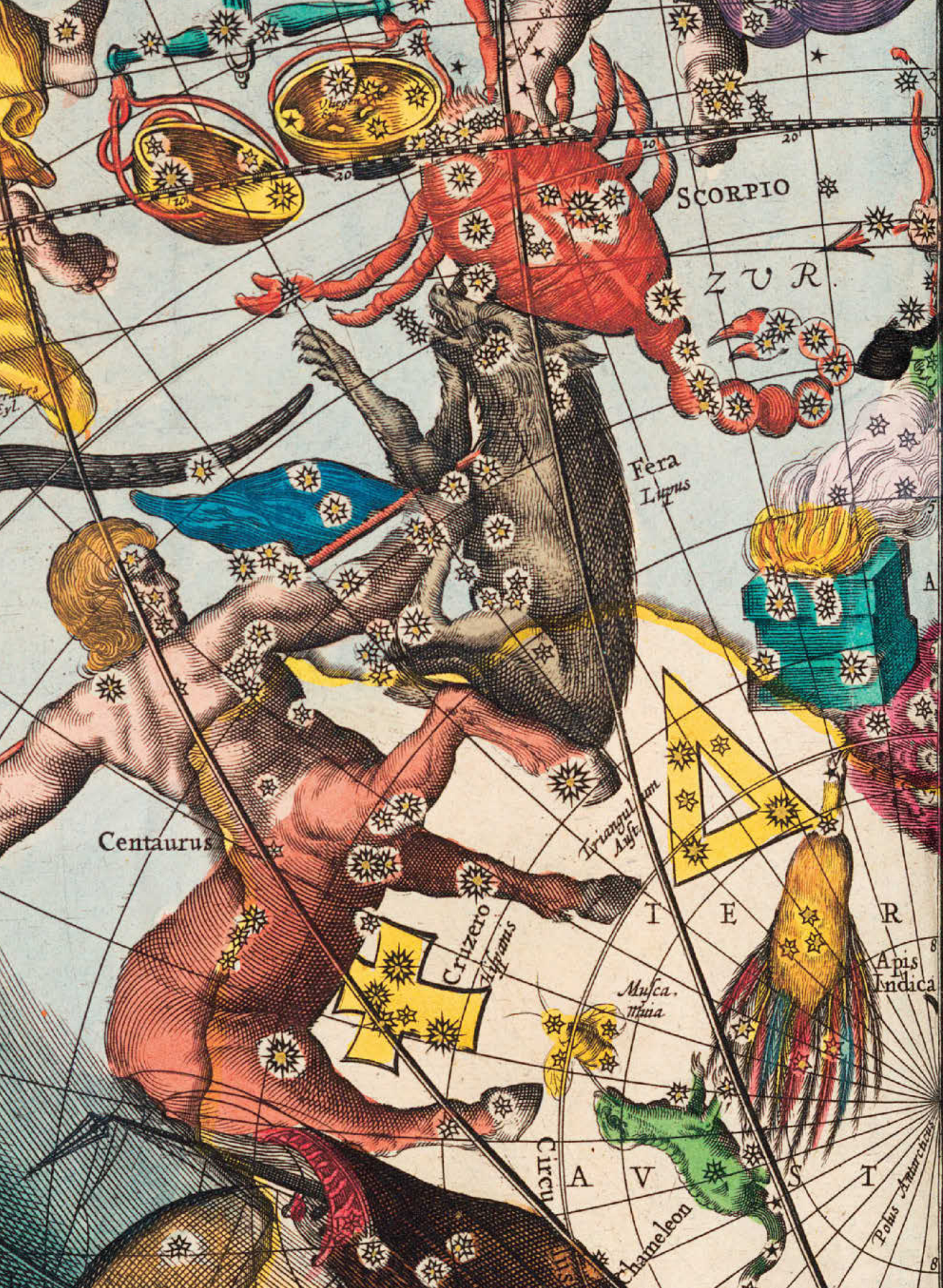
intended for the projected second volume. The position circles of the celestial and terrestrial spheres are presented in three plates, followed by five plates illustrating various astrological concepts and the motion and phases of the moon. The final eight plates are devoted to the constellations and the fixed stars. Two plates depict the constellations of the northern and southern celestial hemispheres in the traditional forms assigned to them by the Greeks, while another two depict the stars in the “Christian” constellations following the *Coelum stellatum christianum* by Julius Schiller.

The most spectacular plates, however, are those that show the Earth from four different perspectives, seen as if through a translucent sphere on which the constellations are drawn.



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Some call it the American obsession, but men everywhere recognize the hypnotic allure of a large and shapely breast. In *The Big Book of Breasts*, Dian Hanson explores the origins of mammary madness through three decades of natural big-breasted nudes. Starting with the World War II Bosom-Mania that spawned Russ Meyer, Howard Hughes's *The Outlaw* and *Frederick's of Hollywood*, Dian guides you over, around, and in between the dangerous curves of infamous models, including **Michelle Angelo, Candy Barr, Virginia Bell, Joan Brinkman, Lorraine Burnett, Lisa De Leeuw, Uschi Digard, Candy Kane, Jennie Lee, Sylvia McFarland,**

Margaret Middleton, Paula Page, June Palmer, Roberta Pedon, Rosina Revelle, Candy Samples, Tempest Storm, Linda West, June Wilkinson, Julie Wills, and dozens more, including **Guinness World Record holder Norma Stitz**, possessor of the World's Largest Natural Breasts.

The 396 pages of this book contain the most beautiful and provocative black and white and color photos ever created of these iconic women, plus nine original interviews, including the first with Tempest Storm and Uschi Digard in over a decade, and the last with Candy Barr before her untimely death in 2005. In a world where

silicone is now the norm, these spectacular real women stand as testament that nature knows best.

The editor: **Dian Hanson** is a twenty-five-year veteran of men's magazine publishing. She began her career at *Puritan* magazine in 1976 and went on to edit a variety of titles, including *Partner, Oui, Hooker, Outlaw Biker, and Juggs* magazines. In 1987, she took over the '60s title *Leg Show* and transformed it into the world's best-selling fetish publication. Most recently, she authored TASCHEN's *Terryworld, Tom of Finland: The Comic Collection* and *The History of Men's Magazines* six-volume set.



books. I'm tilted!" —reader comment, taschen.com

The bigger the better

By Dian Hanson

"I am a breast, a mammary gland disconnected from any human form, a mammary gland such as could only appear, one would have thought, in a dream."

—PHILIP ROTH, *The Breast*, 1972

In *The Breast* a man is transformed into a giant disembodied boob with a hypersensitive nipple in place of his penis; most would say a uniquely American fantasy. By 1972 America's breast fanaticism was so well known and well entrenched that for Roth's contemporaries, men who came of age in the 1940s and '50s, a 155-pound breast would indeed have been a dream-come-true. We accept America's singular fascination, but how did a country come to fixate so completely on one secondary sexual characteristic, on this soft, simple mass of fat and glandular tissue? Around 1760 Swedish botanist Carolus Linnaeus coined the term "mammal," meaning breast bearing, to describe all furred, warm-blooded creatures. Against prevailing religious opinion, he included man among these creatures. In 1762 philosopher and author Jean-Jacques Rousseau declared French peasants the noblest of the breast-bearing beasts in his popular novel *Emile*. Over the next 30 years a French cult of peasant worship formed around Rousseau's writings. Legions of French aristocrats were inspired to forsake their wet-nurses and actually suckle their own infants.



As the French revolutionaries relieved Marie Antoinette of her head, they preserved her breast bowls

Marie Antoinette was so swept up in the fad she had an elegant dairy built at Versailles so she could drink fresh milk from porcelain bowls in the shape of her own breasts; in effect, suckling herself. By 1793 Marie and the rest of the aristocrats were way over the peasant thing, but even as the French revolutionaries relieved her of her



head, they preserved her breast bowls, because, while beasts, they weren't philistines.

The French peasant revolt pinched breasts all over Europe. In 1794 Germany passed a law requiring mothers to breast-feed their children, and mandated that women receiving state aid make their breasts available to feed the needy. In England women adopted the gauzy, breast-revealing "peasant" dress, to the considerable delight of English men. Even the Russian aristocracy celebrated the peasant aesthetic, with the full, pendulous, maternal breast replacing the high, virginal model in art and literature.

By 1959 only a quarter of American babies were breastfed, and American men were the most breast-obsessed on earth

In 1870, a hundred years after the publication of Rousseau's *Emile*, the "useful breast" cult was still the rage in Western Europe. Women of the better classes eagerly proved their solidarity with nature through public breast-feeding, and though the point of the movement was to desexualize the breast these public displays titillated many, including, perhaps, young Sigmund Freud. Freud's oral phase of human psychosexual development cast the useful breast in an entirely new light. Prior to the French Revolution, Europe's middle and upper class breasts were reserved for sexual titillation, while peasant breasts fed the babies. The Revolution swept the sexual breast from favor. Then along came Freud, suggesting that breast-feeding also provides sexual gratification; that an infant, in effect, makes love to its mother's breast—with its mouth! The breast as first sex partner may have scandalized the genteel matrons of Paris and London, but it struck an undeniable chord with many men. For American men this chord would swell to become a national anthem.

The useful breast movement never took hold in the US the way it did in Northern Europe because North America had no significant history of wet nursing. American infants of all classes could count on their very own mothers breast, and they would continue to enjoy this Freudian idyll until the 1940s, when not just the mother's, but all breasts, were abruptly snatched away. World War II emptied American factories of manpower. Women took the men's places and left their babies at home to be fed by the bottle.

When the war ended women went back to their homes, but stayed with the bottle. By 1956 only a quarter of American babies were breast-fed, and American men were the most breast-obsessed on earth. Coincidence? Ask Professor Freud. And while you're at it, get his opinion of those WWII pin-up magazines.

America's WWII pin-up effort is unique in history. It was anecdotally a response to the thousands of men who were infected with venereal disease during World War I. When a second war loomed it was decided the only way to keep troupes safe from Europe's carnal temptations was to distract them with pin-ups. You couldn't just hand a boy a nudie magazine and tell him to jerk off, though. Moral standards had to be maintained, so while the photos returned to the magazines bathing suits and tight sweaters chastely covered every breast. And they had a time doing it, as these forties' breasts were noticeably bigger than the bare breasts of the twenties and early thirties. I've heard conjecture that the voluptuous pin-up queens were selected as fertility symbols, to inspire soldiers to survive and propagate; sounds plausible unless you've met any men's magazine publishers. Since I have, I imagine the thinking was more, "If you can't give 'em bare boobs, at least give 'em big ones!" Sweaters proved the ideal environment for creative padding.

And so it went from 1941 to 1945. Hoarded in footlockers and tacked to barracks' walls, tucked into wallets and blazoned on fighter planes, big American breasts were the fighting man's constant companions. Then the war ended and the guys had to forsake their paper girlfriends and come home to real women. They dutifully married and bred in record numbers; producing the first wave of the Baby Boom by 1946. Meanwhile, the abandoned men's magazines struggled for survival. Clearly there was no place for War Laffs or Who's Your Pin-Up Girl? in peacetime America. While publishers waited for the domestic bliss to fade they tinkered with their titles, seeking the hook that would bring the boys back. It turned out to be strippers, the bustier the better. In 1957 the first American magazine entirely devoted to big breasts appeared. Arv Miller's *Fling* started small, but regular contributions from photographer Russ Meyer helped it grow big, glossy and bi-monthly by 1960.

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Meyer was a cinematic prodigy who made his first experimental films at age twelve. In 1941 he joined the army and was sent to MGM Studios for training in newsreel photography. His big breast epiphany struck shortly thereafter, in the front row of the President's Follies burlesque theater in Los Angeles. The divine messenger was



The actual book is completely smiley-free!

a stripper named Margie Sullivan. She had the biggest tits Russ had ever seen and, as he later told interviewers, she was the first woman who ever turned him on. You have to imagine he was getting a bit nervous by age 20, and what a great relief it was to discover he was just a boob-man awaiting his muse.

By the late '80s breasts were viewed as an investment, a career accessory

When the war ended Meyer bought a still camera and prowled Southern California's burlesque theaters, chatting up the dancers and getting them to pose. He sold his first photos to a men's magazine around 1950 and became a staff photographer for fledgling *Playboy* in 1955. He continued his still photography into the 1960s, even after he'd become far more famous for his films. Big breasts were such a valuable commodity by 1960 the less gifted began looking for ways to increase their assets. There had been experiments with injecting liquid silicone into the breasts of prostitutes during America's post-war occupation of Japan—supposedly to make the slender Asians more attractive to breast-loving GIs. Silicone injection made its way to America in the 1950s and was the most common breast enhancement technique before Dow Chemical introduced the gel-filled implant in 1963. Even after the advent of implants many women opted for injections because they were cheaper and required no convalescence, though they carried the risk of infection and occasionally death. By 1970 direct injection of silicone was outlawed in all states but Nevada, where an additional 40,000 women risked their lives for bigger breasts before a federal ban in 1976. Breast magazines continued to prosper through the 1980s with surgical enhancement an ever-bigger issue. By the late '80s, when sex was becoming big business, breasts were viewed as an investment, a career accessory to increase one's value at the strip club. Some dancers "upsized" with new and bigger implants every year. Inevitably, the day came when breasts went from career accessory to career necessity.



Here you can cuddle up to some of the most celebrated natural breasts of the last 50 years

Around 1990 a Texas surgeon induced implant manufacturers to create custom silicone sacs of enormous size. Where before the largest implants contained 500ccs of liquid, roughly a pint, suddenly 1000cc, 2000cc, and even 3000cc enlargements were possible. And when 3000cc wasn't big enough, implants were "ganged," inserted two at a time in a single breast. The super-size fad coincided with the rise of "gentleman's clubs," modern, upscale strip emporiums where a headline dancer could make three thousand dollars a week, or a dollar for every cc of saline or silicone in her monster implants. For several years new and more grotesquely augmented dancers appeared each month. Then the complications began to appear and in the late '90s the chemical companies pulled the big sacs off the market.

America hasn't entirely recovered from the surgical insanity of the '90s, but signs are encouraging. Of the 300,000+ breast augmentations performed in the US in 2004, most used implants of modest 300 to 400cc size. Many men's magazines are now refusing to use models with grossly enlarged breasts, and naturals are becoming a big draw at the dance clubs. We'll never return to a time when big breasts can be assumed to be real, though; not as long as American men love D-cups and there are plastic surgeons ready to help women even the playing field. For that reason I dedicate this book to all who have looked upon a spectacular rack and wondered, "Are they, or aren't they?" Here you can cast your doubts aside and cuddle up to some of the most celebrated natural breasts of the last fifty years. I'm sure you'll find them eminently useful. And don't worry if you find yourself salivating: that's just your oral phase kicking in. If you still yearn for Roth's 155-pounder, just check out Annie Hawkins-Turner, aka Norma Stitz, on page 392. According to the Guinness Book of World Records her endowment comes pretty darn close.

*Opposite: bottom: Roberta Pedon Top: Rosina Revelle
Left: Sylvia McFarland Above: Janie Reynolds*



From Tijuana to Tokyo: The shooting of *Babel*

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Mexican film director Alejandro González Iñárritu, along with top photographers Mary Ellen Mark, Patrick Bard, Graciela Iturbide, and Miguel Rio Branco, bring together their highly perceptive visions on cultural diversity in a book that combines seductive images and firsthand remarks on the unique experience of shooting *Babel*. Winner of the Best Director prize at the 2006 Cannes Film Festival, the film is the third in the director's trilogy started by *Amores Perros* and *21 Grams*. Shot in Morocco, Tijuana, and Tokyo, and involving a multilingual cast led by Brad Pitt, Cate Blanchett, Gael García Bernal, and Koji Yakusho, as well non-professional actors from the three countries portrayed, *Babel* continues the director's quest to explore the effects of loss and

grief, and seeks to relate the modern implications of ancient myth on the origins of human inability to communicate successfully.

This book is a visual recollection of the parallel stories and real-life characters that revolved around the making of *Babel*, and the unexpected ways in which fiction and reality collide. Photographs both from the set and the surrounding disparate landscapes are paired with the director's personal commentary on the larger-than-life film shoot. Introduced with essays by novelist and poet Eliseo Alberto and González Iñárritu, as well as an interview with the director by Rodrigo García, the result is an engaging book that both complements *Babel*'s powerful statement on the barrier of language, and reveals the fascinating

reality of the people and places that inspired the film.

The director: Born in Mexico City in 1963, **Alejandro González Iñárritu** studied filmmaking and theater and composed music for Mexican features before directing and producing his debut feature film, *Amores Perros* (2000), which was nominated for an Academy Award as Best Foreign Language Film and received over 53 awards from all over the world, including BAFTAs, the Golden Globes, Tokyo, São Paulo, Edinburgh, San Sebastián, and Toronto. Iñárritu's follow-up film, *21 Grams* (2003), which he directed, cowrote, and produced, starred Sean Penn, Benicio del Toro, and Naomi Watts. Both Del Toro and Watts received Oscar nominations for their roles in



the film and Penn won the Jury Prize for Best Actor at the Venice Film Festival. *Babel*, which will be released worldwide in November 2006, garnered the Best Director Prize at the 59th Cannes Film Festival. Iñárritu lives in Los Angeles with his wife and two children.

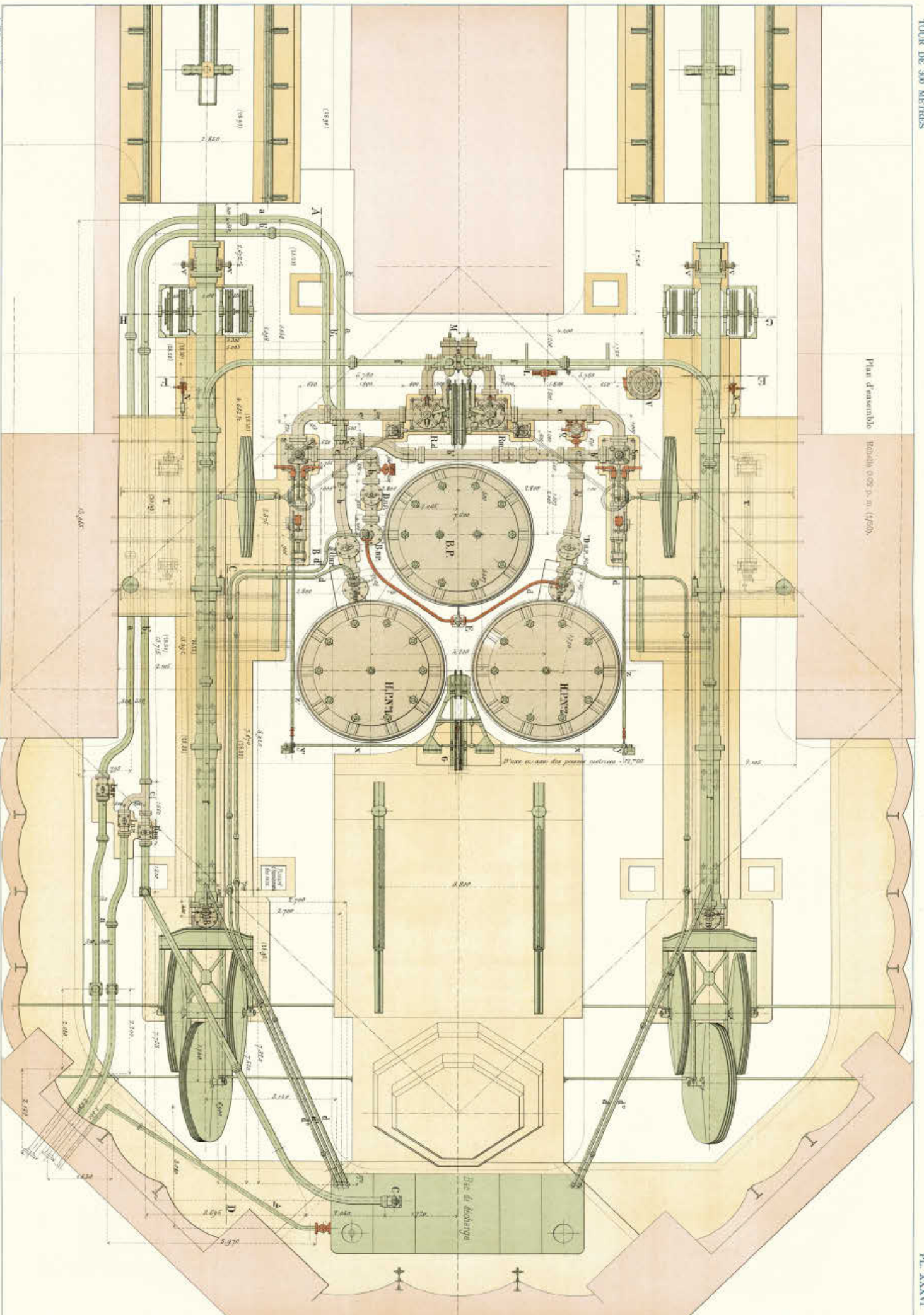
The photographers: One of Mexico's most significant contemporary photographers, **Graciela Iturbide's** images reveal her love for her native country and for its people; and, more recently, include other cultures. Whether at home or in foreign lands, her work explores cultural identity and the ways people adapt to modernization. American documentary photographer **Mary Ellen Mark** has achieved worldwide visibility through

her numerous books, exhibitions, and editorial magazine work. For almost three decades, she has traveled extensively to make pictures that reflect a high degree of humanism. **Miguel Río Branco**, a Magnum photographer since 1978, was born into a family of diplomats and grew up in Portugal, Brazil, Switzerland, and the United States. A ceaseless experimenter in expressive and lyrical color photography, he has been awarded several prizes for his work and has published numerous photography books. **Patrick Bard** is a journalist and a professional photographer who has written articles for the French and international press about the Mexico-United States border. Bard is also the author of several novels, some of which have been adapted for the theater.

The authors: **Eliseo Alberto** is an award-winning author, journalist, and filmmaker. He has written three books of poems; and his publications include the novels *Caracol Beach* and *La eternidad por fin comienza un lunes*. Born and raised in Cuba, he now lives in Mexico City. Mexican writer/director **Rodrigo García's** credits include *Things you can tell just by looking at her* (Fondation Gan Award, Cannes 2000) and *Nine Lives* (Winner Locarno Film Festival, 2005).

The editor: **Maria Eladia Hagerman** was born and raised in Mexico City, where she received her degree in graphic design. She has designed and collaborated on several book projects.

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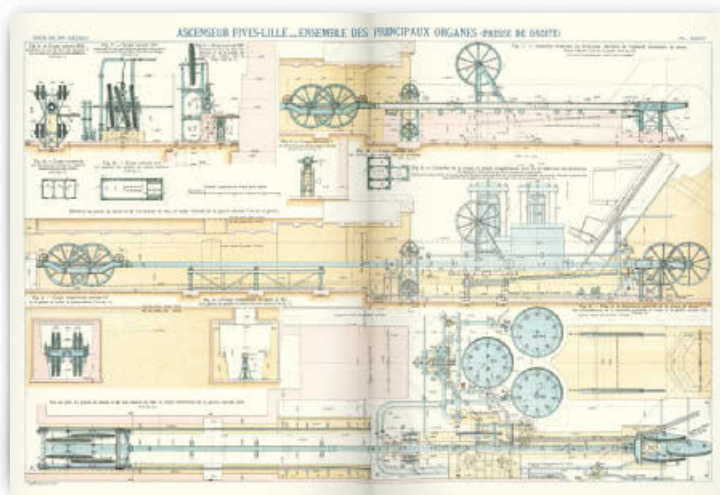
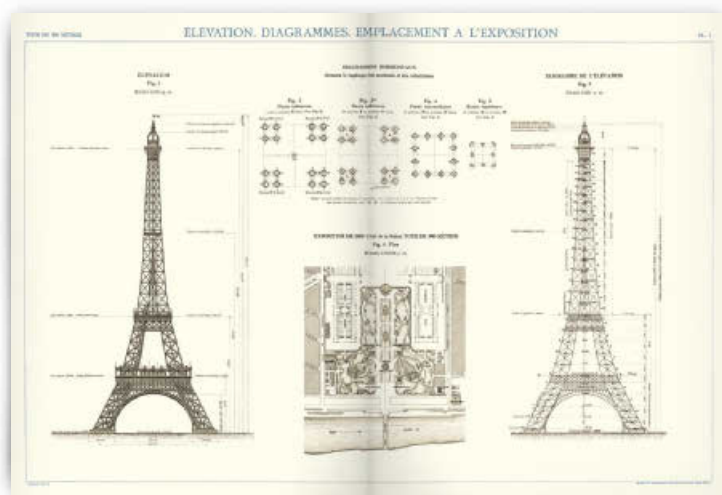
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*Opposite: Fives-Lille elevator—General layout of the valve gear drives **Page 35:** Edouard Durandelle, The south pillar of the Tower, 19 September 1888; under construction in the background, further buildings for the Universal Exposition. Paris, Musée d'Orsay, Fonds Eiffel*

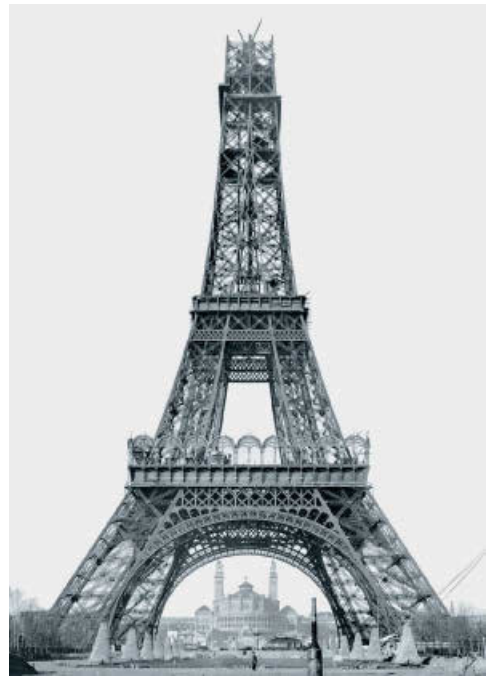
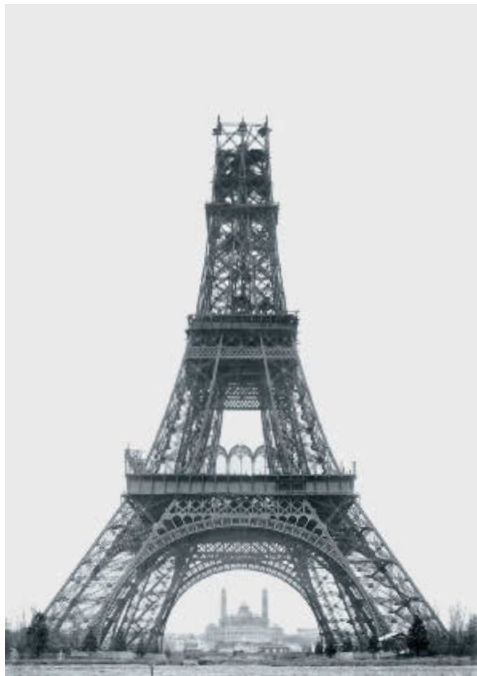
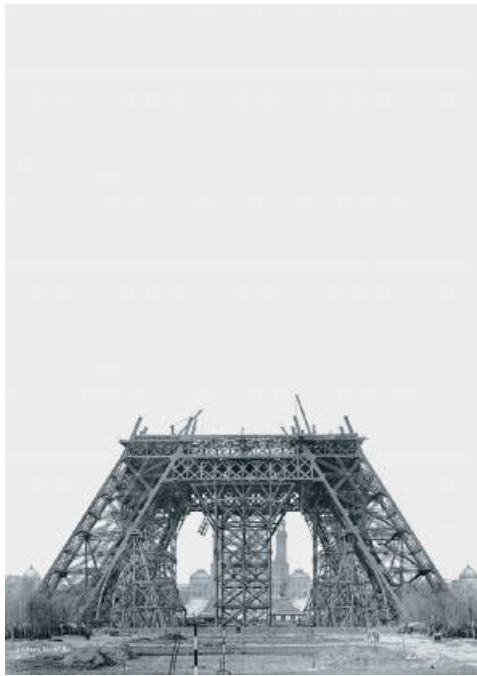


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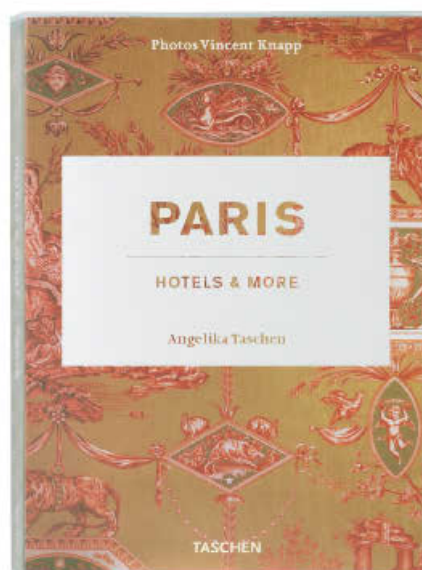
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The author: **Christine Samuelian** is a writer, editor, and media consultant based in London, where she worked at *Vogue*, then moved on to *Wallpaper* magazine. She has contributed to *Condé Nast Traveller*, *US Vogue*, *Zembla*, *The New York Times Magazine*, and *The Observer Magazine*.

"My life is an open book"

A stunning journey into the world of Peter Beard



Above left and right: Peter Beard inscribing the signature pages for each of the 2,500 books, near his home in Montauk, New York, April 2006
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Photographer, collector, diarist, and author Peter Beard has fashioned his life into a work of art; the illustrated diaries he has kept from a young age evolved into a serious career as an artist and earned him a central position in the international art world. He was painted by Francis Bacon, painted on by Salvador Dalí, and made diaries with Andy Warhol; he toured with Truman Capote and the Rolling Stones, created books with Jacqueline Onassis and Mick Jagger—all of whom are brought to life, literally and figuratively, in his work. As a fashion photographer, he took *Vogue* stars like Veruschka to Africa and brought new ones—most notably Iman—back to the U.S. with him. His love affair with natural history and wildlife, which informs most of his work,

began when he was a teenager. He had read the books of Isak Dinesen (Karen Blixen) and after spending time in Kenya and befriending the author, bought a piece of land near hers. It was the early 1960s and the big game hunters led safaris, with all the colonial elements Beard had read about in *Out of Africa* characterizing the open life and landscape, but the times were changing. Beard witnessed the dawn of Kenya's population explosion, which challenged finite resources and stressed animal populations—including the starving elephants of Tsavo, dying by the tens of thousands in a wasteland of eaten trees. So he documented what he saw—with diaries, photographs, and collages. He went against the wind in publishing unique and sometimes shocking books of

these unsentimental observations. The corpses were laid bare; the facts were carefully written down sometimes in type, often by hand, occasionally with blood. Spilling out over the pages of this massive tome, Peter Beard's collages are reproduced as a group for the first time at the size they have always meant to be seen, many of them as foldouts. Hundreds of smaller-scale works and diaries fill the remaining spreads—magnified to show every detail, from Beard's meticulous handwriting and Old-Master-inspired drawings to stones and bones and bits of animals pasted to the page. Available in both Art and Collector's editions, this opulent and beautifully crafted limited edition—complete with wooden stand—is a work of art in itself.



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PETER BEARD

"Composer and conductor, constructor of contradictions"

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Models and Masai, politicians and pop icons, brassiere ads and bleached bones, lions and lunatics Because this book shows so many of Beard's diary pages and collages in such detail, I am spared the daunting task of trying to describe them. There has certainly never been anything quite like them this side of Bedlam, and to

descend through their many manic layers is to go down the rabbit hole into a world of visual puns and tantalizing parallels—models and Masai, politicians and pop icons, brassiere ads and bleached bones, lions and lunatics, crocs and self-mockery, soup cans and severed heads, private heroes and public enemies, rhinos and blood smears, strippers and starvation. In urgent fugues, themes appear, then recur again and again in seemingly endless variations. Beard, composer and conductor, constructor of contradictions, binds everything with meticulous drawings, the needlepoint of compulsive handwriting, even the mysterious intrusion of his own hands. This image-besotted world is an inchoate, alchemical psychic event powered, perhaps, by the artist's sense that some epiphany may be conjured when unrelated things are pushed together like the resistant opposite poles of magnets. Or these collisions may yield nothing but the need to press onward. It is as if every picture, every page, is an experiment in search of some single unifying theory, the

unexpected answer to an unrecognized question.

With his voracious equations, Beard rushes along, piece after piece, page after page, not waiting—it would seem—to see if any secrets are revealed. He quotes his friend Francis Bacon quoting Balzac: "Le hasard c'est le plus grand artiste." Beard is making accidents happen, and leaving the forensics to us.

With typical nonchalance, he describes his diaries, kept up at the cost of God knows how much energy, as "compost" that ferments into "archetypal kitsch." As with compost, life goes on beneath the layers of meaning and meaninglessness. "When I open a diary years later," he says, "things have changed." Without doubt, the same will occur for those who delve into this book again and again...

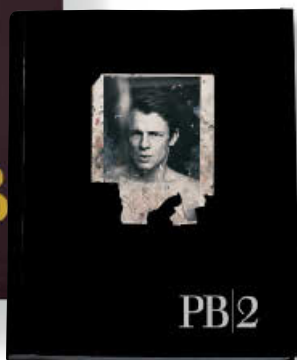
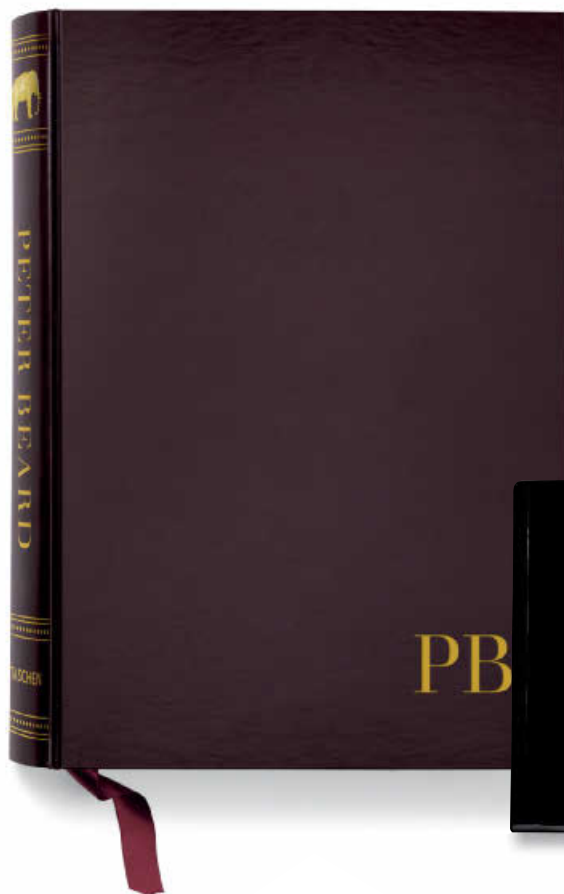
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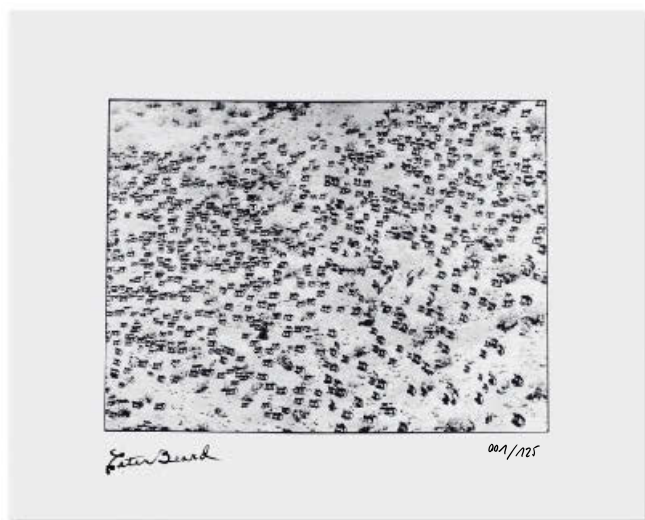
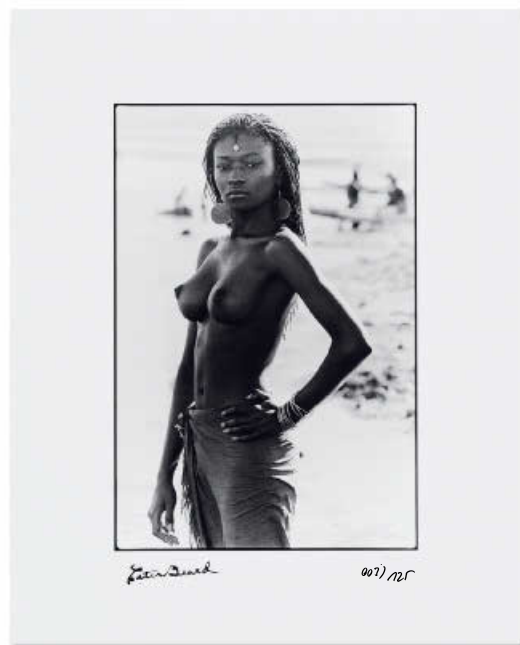
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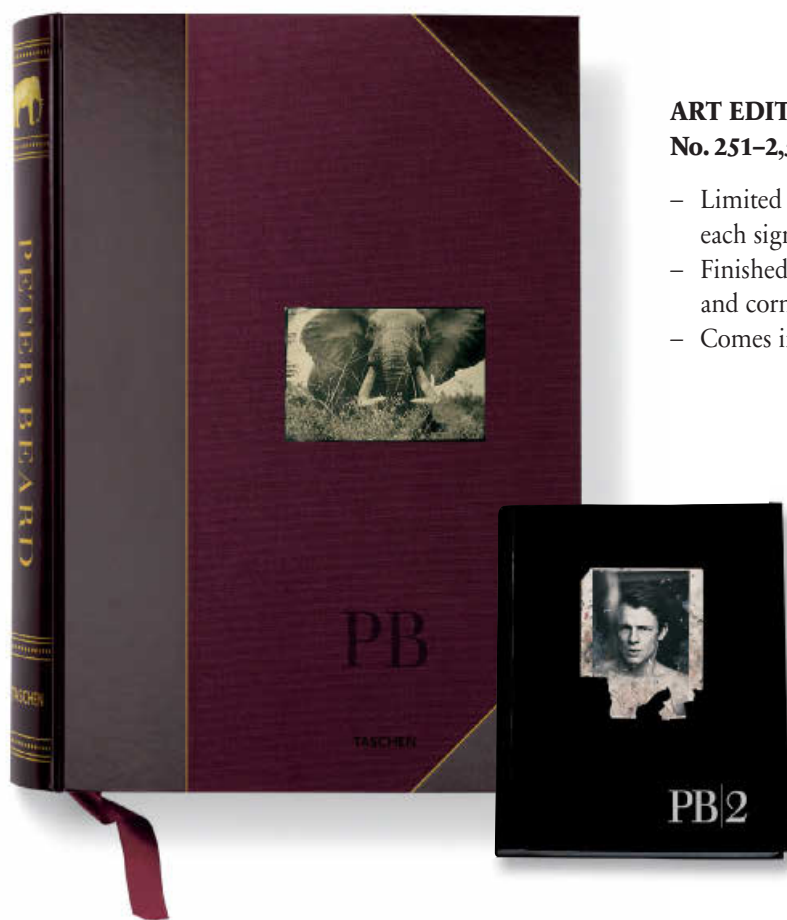
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The artist: Born in 1938 in New York City, **Peter Beard** began keeping diaries and taking photographs as an adolescent. After graduating from Yale, he developed a keen interest in Africa; in the early 1960s he worked at Kenya's Tsavo National Park, during which time he photographed and documented the demise of over 35,000 elephants and published his first book, *The End of the Game*. His first show at Blum Helman Gallery came in 1975, and was followed in 1977 by the landmark installation of elephant carcasses, burned diaries, taxidermy, African artifacts, books, and personal memorabilia at New York's International Center for Photography. In addition to creating original artwork, Beard has also worked as a fashion photographer and collaborated on projects with Andy Warhol, Andrew Wyeth, Richard Lindner, Terry Southern, Truman Capote, and Francis Bacon. In 1996, shortly after Beard was trampled by an

elephant, his first major retrospective opened at the Centre National de la Photographie in Paris, France, followed by others in Berlin, London, Toronto, Madrid, Milan, Tokyo, and Vienna. He now lives in New York City, Montauk Point, and Kenya with his wife Nejma and daughter Zara.

The editor: **Nejma Beard** has been Peter Beard's agent and the director of the Peter Beard Studio since 2000. Since then she has curated and co-curated shows in Paris, London, Milan, and Los Angeles, and assisted on the publication of *Zara's Tales*. **David Fahey** is co-owner of the Fahey/Klein Gallery, Los Angeles. During his 31-year career in the field, he has collaborated on over 45 fine art photography books. He is the co-vice president of the Herb Ritts Foundation and serves on the Photography Advisory Council for the J. Paul Getty Museum.

Page 46–47: *Serengeti Lion*, 1976 Page 48: *Top left: Jamaica Robbery, Diary Pages*, April 29, 1970

Top right: Iman Outside the Hog Ranch Studio, 1985

Bottom: Janice on Diaries Since the Mill Fire, NYC, 1990

Page 49: *Veruschka Rhino Roping in Darajani*, 1964

The art director: **Ruth Ansel** is an award-winning art director known for her innovative design at many of America's top fashion and cultural magazines since the 1960s. Ansel Design Studio (est. 1992) has produced international fashion campaigns and books on photographers such as Peter Beard, Richard Avedon, and Annie Leibovitz.

The authors: **Owen Edwards** has written about photography for 30 years, for the *American Photographer*, *New York Times Magazine*, *New York* magazine, *The Village Voice*, *Saturday Review*, *Vogue*, *Smithsonian* magazine, and many other publications. **Steven M. L. Aronson**, a former book publisher, is a writer and editor. He edited and published Peter Beard's book *Longing for Darkness* and wrote the T.V. special *The End of the Game*. He is the author of *HYPE* and the co-author of *Savage Grace*.

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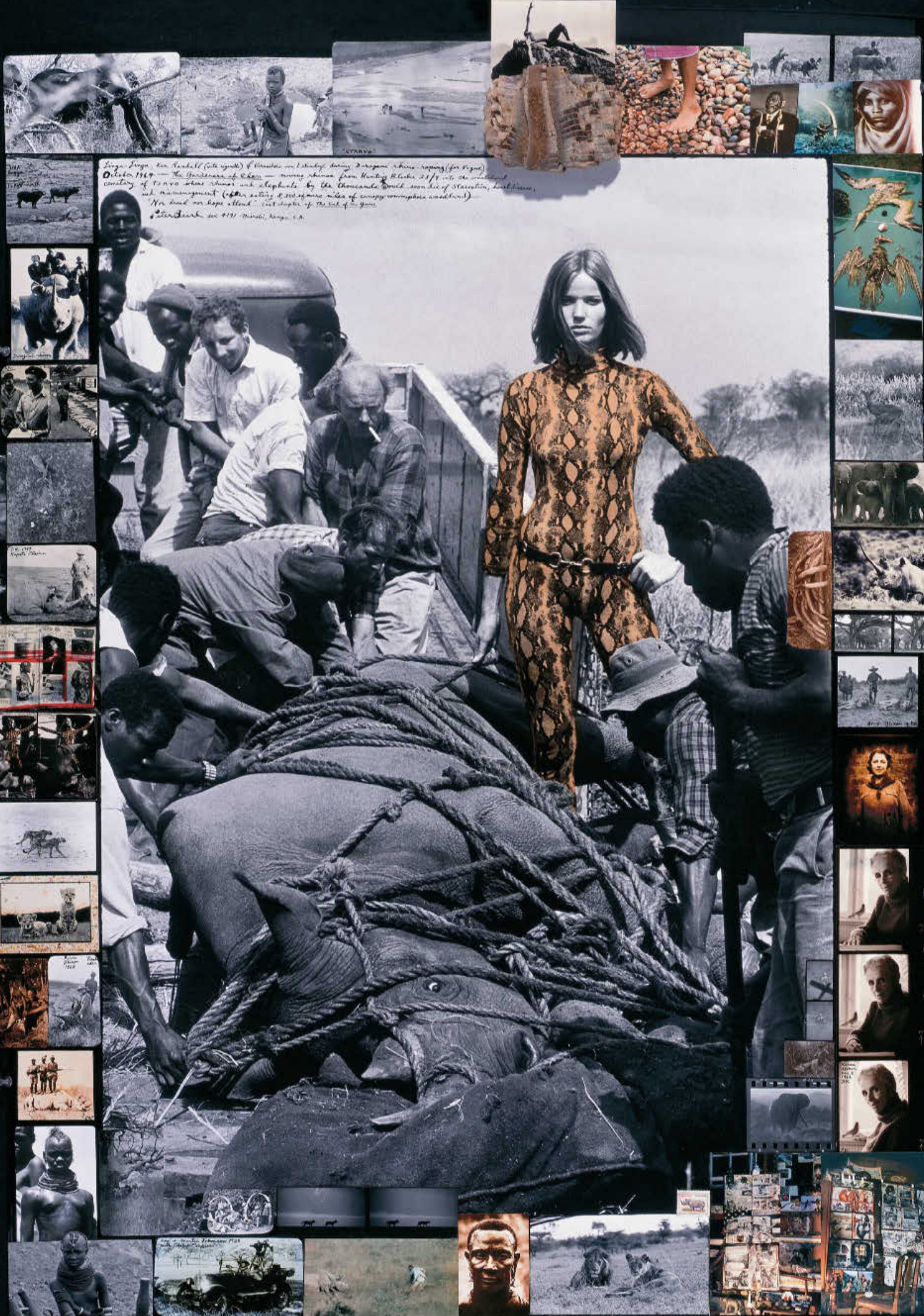
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at least they took a dasher from close to bone and was eating it. I went and arranged a drive, lion came to within 10 yards of
cartridge miss fired and lion bounded by me into bush growling. Saw no more of him / 25th / 1898 4:30 am, cold. Ali wakes
lion seized & took away a woman who was sleeping in a tent with 6 others; follow trail of lion, which is distinct as beds of
also much blood. Found part of skull and clothing, also a skin bone & part of foot. Take this back to station when
Make preparation for staying up all night to try and shoot lion. It is a position on a branch of a tree close to the bush
Will stay there all night and hope for lion. On another night the brutes seized a man from the railway station and
I could plainly hear them crunching the bones, and the sound of their dreadful purring filled the air. They had end
of licking the skin off as to get to the fresh blood. On two half eaten bodies which I subsequently rescued, the
and the flesh looked dry as if it had been sucked.

J.H. Patterson, in the Man-Eaters of Tsavo diaries, 1898-9
from the end of the game / lost work from Paradise / 1898-9

camp but they had frightened them off and
me and I fired point blank at his heels—
me up. I fired and go down to station where there is a camelion—
leaved tracks on sand as he is being dragged along by lion—
have lost tracks of lion. Take photo of Ungaral's head in a hole hands
from which Ungaral was carried off.
brought him close to my camp to dinner.
eaten in the man-eater's hole.
he was gone in places.

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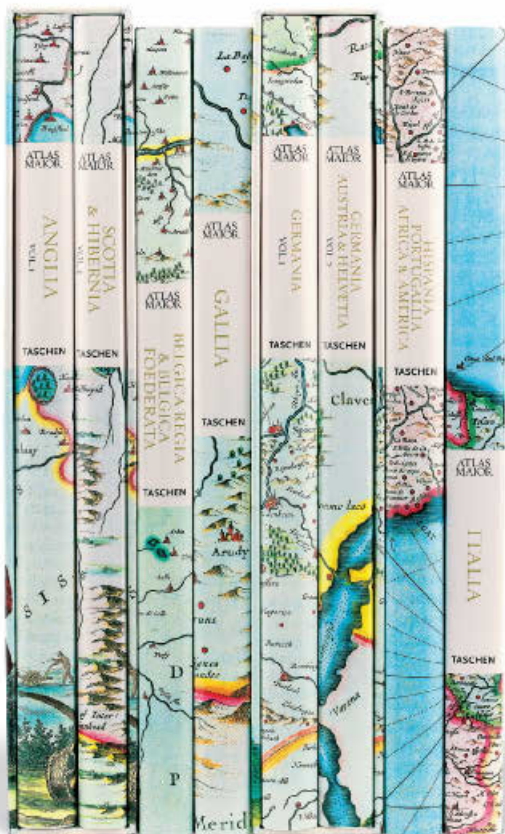




Liza Jung, Kim Randall (left right) & Braden on Lulu, during 3rd game rhino-raising (for legs).
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country of 12,000 rhino rhino with elephants by the thousands would soon die of starvation, death, disease,
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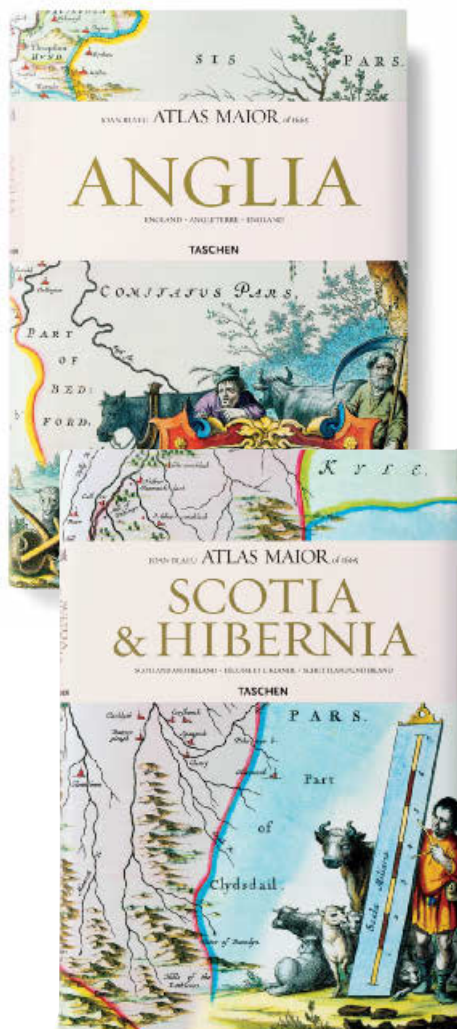
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Cornelius took over the workshop after their father had died in 1638. Joan became the official cartographer of the Dutch East India Company. Around 1649 he published a collection of Dutch city maps entitled *Tooneel der Steeden* (Theater of Cities). In 1651 he was voted into the Amsterdam council. In 1654 he published the first atlas of Scotland. In 1662 he reissued the atlas in 11 volumes, known as the *Atlas Maior*. A cosmology was planned as his next project, but a fire destroyed the workshop in 1672. Joan Blaeu died in the following year.

Since 1990, **Peter van der Krogt**, the leading expert in the field of Dutch atlases, has been working on *Koeman’s Atlantes Neerlandici*, the cartobibliography of atlases published in the Netherlands. His second project is the compilation, in cooperation with the Nijmegen University, of an illustrated and annotated catalogue of the *Atlas Blaeu-Van der Hem*, the most important multivolume atlas preserved in the **Österreichische Nationalbibliothek**, Vienna.

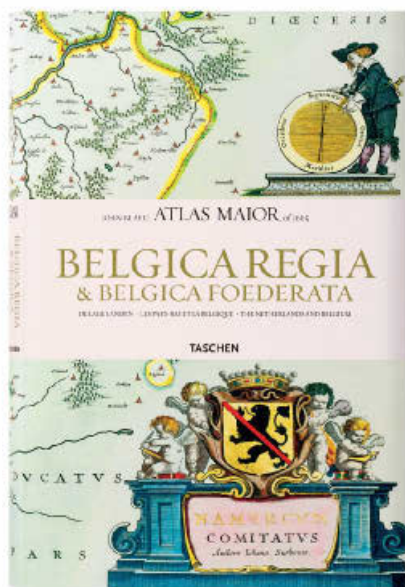




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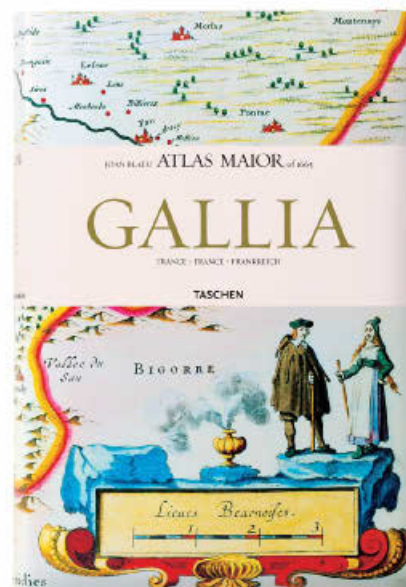
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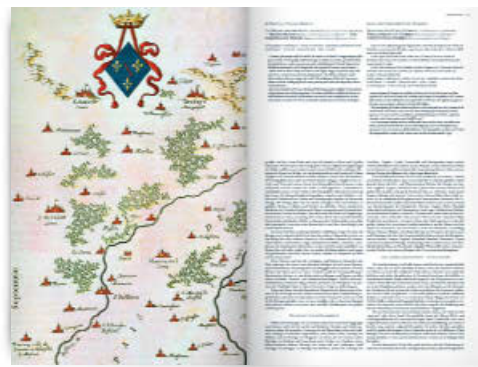
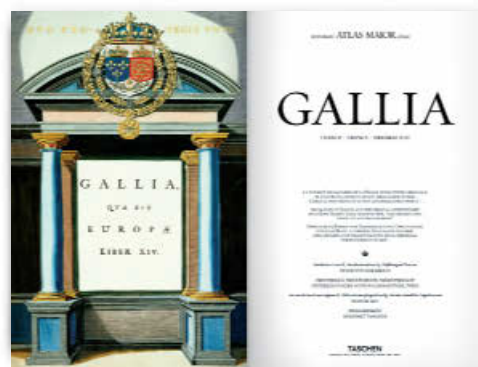
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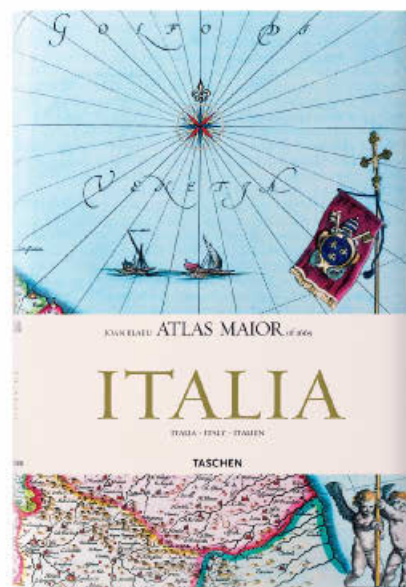
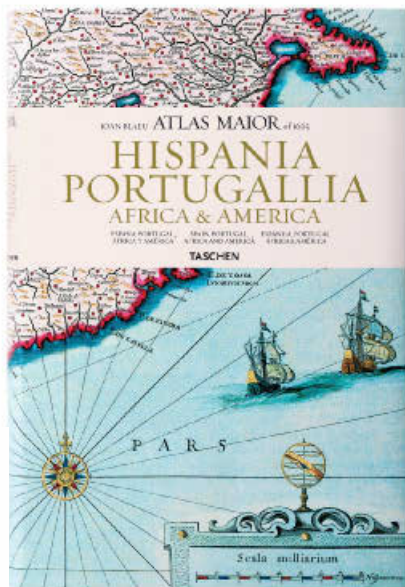
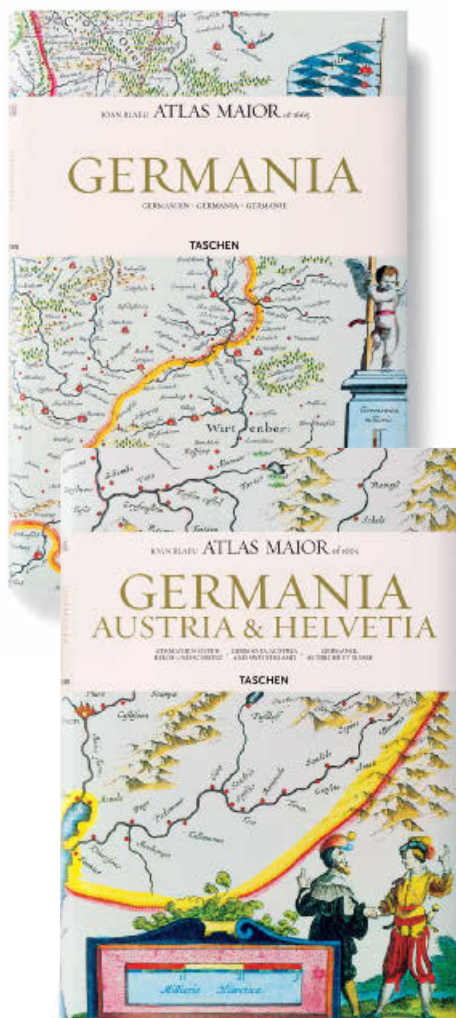
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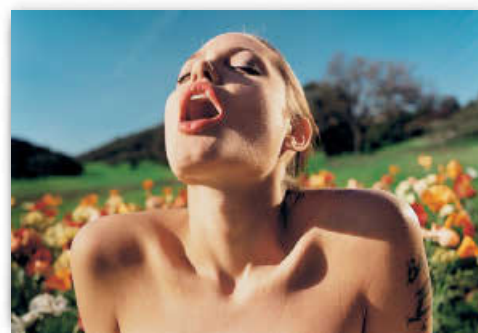
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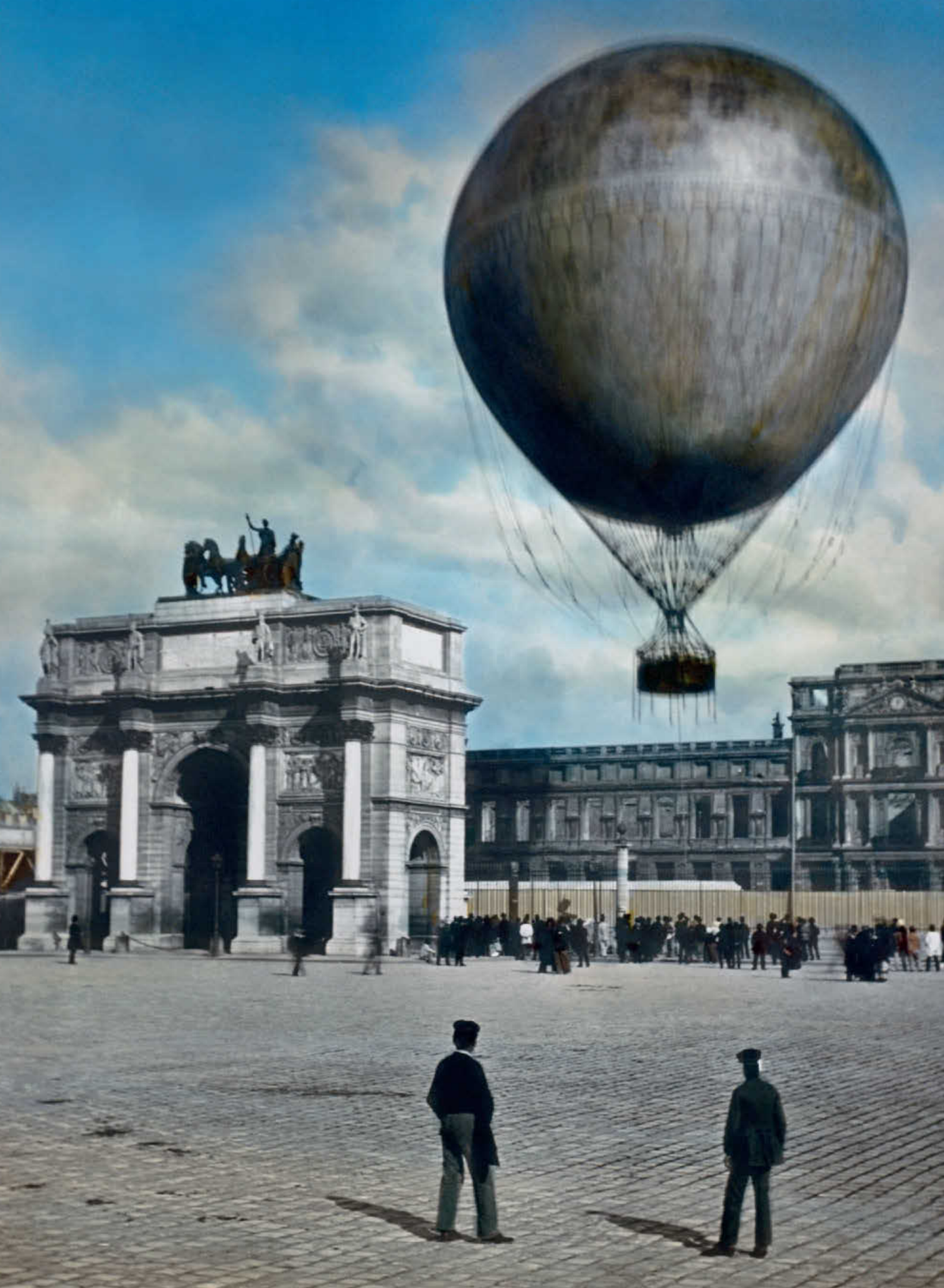


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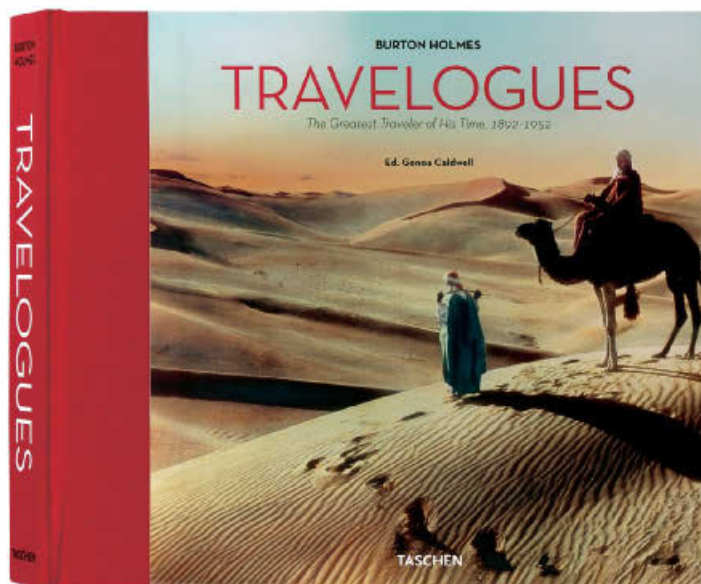
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Burton Holmes, the man who brought the world home



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China: Opening the forbidden city

China is a colossal puzzle. The outside world has tried in vain to solve it, by means of force, railways and Christianity. To force, China opposes weakness, and weakness is victorious; to railways, she opposes unquenchable superstition, and superstition conquers; and Christianity, she opposes the weight of accumulated tradition, and thus far tradition has prevailed. The tide of Progress is sweeping the nations of the West out upon the oceans in this new century. But China, moored to the rocks of immutability, resists the modern current, despite the efforts of all Christendom to cut the cables of conservatism that bind her to the past. Far more interesting to the traveler of 1901 was the



occupation of Peking by the international forces, has been already told a hundred times from a hundred points of view. I merely wish to look upon the scene made memorable by these events and other scenes that are significant because they throw a little light upon the problem of the East—the mystery of China.

Peking is paradoxical. It is one of the ugliest cities in the world—it is one of the most beautiful

The city now in ruins, is policed by foreign troops. Its ramparts have been razed; smooth boulevards have been created where useless city-walls once stood. The ants look on in wonder or complaint, and those who toil in transport choose the new unobstructed road made by the “foreign devil”; but never would they have made it for themselves. Left to themselves they will in time obliterate all traces of this foreign occupation, and forget the days when European patrols marched through their streets, hindering the progress of the creaking wheelbarrows, the swinging baskets, and the green sedan-chairs of pompous mandarins.

The mysterious enclosure which was the heart of Peking has been laid open to the gaze of the world

Viewed from the massive towers of the City Gates, from the broad ramparts or from the once prohibited and

semi-sacred artificial hills in the Imperial City, Peking reveals itself to the amazed onlooker as a splendid wall-girt metropolis, perfectly preserved, fabulously elegant, incredibly artistic, unutterably superb.

Peking is paradoxical. It is one of the ugliest cities in the world—it is one of the most beautiful. It is hideous, squalid, abject, and it is at the same time lovely, magnificent, and glorious. We may well call the Chinese “ants,” and their cities “ant-hills.” The heel of Europe may crush and scatter the heaps raised by these busy toilers, and grind out a million busy lives. It avails nothing. Other millions of toilers recommence the task, and build again—instinctively as ants—another city after their own fashion.

Now that the mysterious enclosure which was the heart of Peking has been laid open to the gaze of the world, it is with something of awe and involuntary reverence that the traveler enters the once sacred and forbidden place. Much of the grandeur has passed with the vandalism of the unthinking soldier and many treasures have been lost to the world. But there still remains enough to delight and amaze the traveler who sees the vast Imperial Palace in the center of the city, which became known as The Forbidden City, because only the emperor’s family and closest advisors could enter it.

China of the Imperial yesterday, the China of old-time art and ancient mystery of quaint costume and quaint customs—the China that revered Confucius and feared that most masterful woman of her generation, the indomitable Empress Dowager.

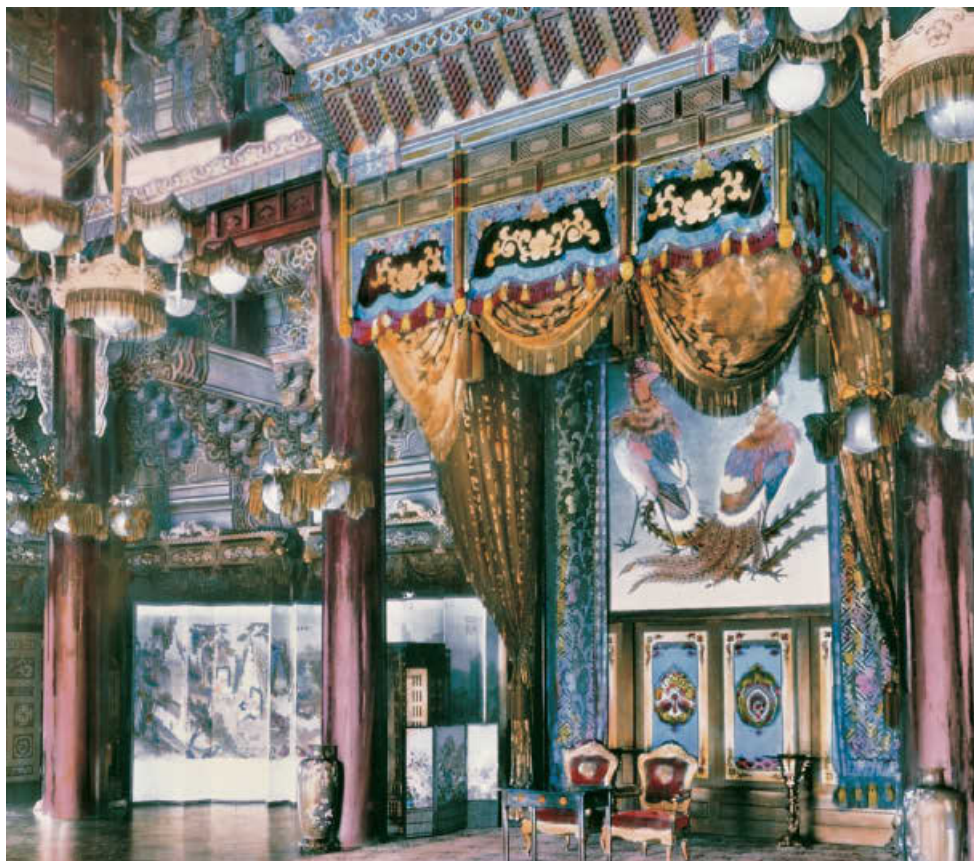
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Peking is not only the capital of China, but it is one of the important capitals of the world, so absolutely unique that the traveler will consider it one of the world’s great spectacles. It is a city in three parts, the Imperial Palace lying deep within the confines of The Forbidden City, which in itself is surrounded by the Tatar City, and, outside of all, the Chinese City.

The once invisible Peking—the Peking of the privileged and semi-sacred few, was now available to my cameras. Peking, capital of the Celestial Empire—half hidden in a haze of incandescent dust—dominated by sixteen towering city gates—shut in by miles of jealous walls now breached and tunneled for the invading locomotive. Here the troops of many nations quarter in her sacred places—her innermost “Forbidden City” becomes the playground of the curious—the palaces of the “Son of Heaven” are profaned and despoiled—her population cowed and embittered, regarding with mute defiance the exodus of the avengers and the rebuilding of the fortress-like legations—this is the Peking of the year of Our Lord 1901 in the aftermath of the Boxer Rebellion.

The story of the Boxer outbreak, of the siege of the legations, of the relief-expeditions, and of the capture and

Left: Marble Barge, Summer Palace, Outside Peking, 1901 Bottom: A Throne Room, Forbidden City, Peking, 1901



France: The charm of Paris

Of all European capitals perhaps Paris is the one best known to Americans. Everyone has heard the saying that “good Americans when they die go to Paris,” but fewer have heard the flippant remarks of one of our younger wits that “the bad ones get there while they are alive!” Good Americans—and bad—adore Paris. Paris becomes to them a sweetheart. London, a little repellent at first sight in its dingy, unlovely dignity, becomes in time a friend. One loves Paris. One admires London. I remember vividly all the incidents of my first visit to Paris. Of the London of that year, I have only a foggy souvenir. Who can resist the city’s charm? I confess that I cannot. To me it is a pleasure simply to be in Paris. With every recurring visit, I find that I gaze on it with a sense of novelty and interest and pleasure for which I can find no expression in words. I, too, exclaim, “Paris, Paris, Paris!” The very name is evocative, whether we think of it as a mere sound on the lips and in the ear, or as a magical written or printed word for the eye.

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Whoever celebrates the famous things of Paris cannot but repeat what has been said a thousand times in praise of her museums and her monuments, her treasures of art, her incomparable avenues, and her splendid decorative spaces. There is no place in all the world like it. No city fascinates like the City by the Seine. None of the world’s great capitals is so truly the capital of the great world.

Whoever you may be, whatever things attract you, you will be at home in Paris; you will find there the very thing you seek. In a word, Paris is everything to everybody; but, above all, Paris is Paris, and whichever sight of Paris pleases you, I hope you may find a little of your Paris here.

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In 1900 Paris the capital was rearing the gorgeous modern palaces of the Exposition Universelle, which was to mark the close of the glorious and never-to-be-forgotten nineteenth century. The Exposition Universelle captured the attention of the entire modern world. The French had transformed a muddy wasteland into a vision of green lawns, flowers, and thousands of exhibits from nearly every nation on earth. While the wonders of the present were displayed, the main idea was to show mankind’s future. Visitors saw a moving pavement, wireless telegraphy, the first escalator, and the most powerful telescope ever built.

The Paris Expo was part of a grand tradition of international fairs, from the late 1800s until the onset of World War I. It was where motion pictures were first shown; where the world of the decorative arts was introduced to Art Nouveau; and it provided the impetus for many of Paris’s most famous buildings to be constructed, including the Grand Palais, and the Petit Palais, the Gare de



Lyon, the Gare d’Orsay, and the Pont Alexandre III, as well as Eliel Saarinen’s Finnish pavilion. The Paris Metro opened to the public the same year, 1900.

I’d like to relate a story first told to me many years ago by my late manager, Louis Francis Brown, and later used many times effectively in my introductions to lectures on Paris. As it invariably seems new even to the sophisticated audiences of today, I’ll risk re-telling it. It is about a dear old British clergyman, a vicar of a country parish, who all his life had dreamed of seeing Paris. Eventually, in his seventy-second year, in failing health but still mentally alert, he found it possible to realize his dream of visiting the gay French capital. On his return, friends and parishioners gave him a reception of welcome. “And how, dear Vicar, did you enjoy your stay in the wicked city of Paris?” was the first and most frequent question. “Oh very thoroughly indeed, very thoroughly. But I must confess that my pleasure was marred from time to time, oh very slightly marred, by a vague regret—mind you, a very vague regret—that I had never been in Paris before I gave my soul to God.”

None of the world’s great capitals is so truly the capital of the great world

But the charm of Paris did not make me overlook certain shortcomings of her civilization. I was shocked to find that in our hotel, which was one of the better class, there was not even gas light in the sleeping rooms. At night as we walked upstairs (there was an ascenseur but it worked only for the aged or infirm) we were handed neat little candle-stocks, each with a lighted candle and a box of matches. And for each candle we were charged a price that yielded a handsome profit to the management. Electric lights were then almost unknown, but gaslight displays in the public rooms, in shops and on the streets were sometimes brilliant—brilliant for those dark days or rather, nights.



*Above: Gay Bar in Montmartre, Paris, 1927
Left: Biarritz, France, 1927*

United States: Land of hopes



Seeing America is strenuous work. To see it all is out of the question. The acme of sublimity in natural scenery is reached in Arizona. The world is not aware that this is true, nor do I hope to prove that it is true except to those who, with an interest aroused by words that are inadequate and pictures that fall far short of the reality, shall someday undertake the marvelous journey that glorified for me the summer of 1898.

When I first visited the Grand Cañon in Arizona, it was inaccessible to the multitude, known to very few and had been viewed only by the Indian, the explorer, the prospector and an occasional enterprising traveler. The traveler usually enters the Grand Cañon by a first-class wagon road from Flagstaff, seventy-five miles to the Grand Cañon at Grand View. The road is open for travel in spring, summer and fall, and the trip takes two days each way by wagon. Supplies, camp outfits and teams are procurable in Flagstaff. Camping trips with pack and saddle animals, or with wagon and saddle animals, are organized, completely equipped and placed in charge of experienced guides. Horse trips over any of the Cañon trails into the Cañon are permitted only in the company of a guide. This rule is merely a matter of precaution.

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The arrival of our party at Flagstaff, Arizona, the starting-point for the stage ride (to the Cañon), with cameras and chronomatographs, almost a mile of film, and rather more than two hundred weight of plates, causes the citizens to smile and murmur to themselves, "Here come another group of sanguine photographers, doomed to disaster and defeat."

Flagstaff has been very aptly described as a nice little town with nothing Puritanical about it; nor is it hypocritical. For barefaced honest badness, all on the surface, commend me to this frank and open town of Flagstaff. We first pass three saloons, then a restaurant, a news-

stand, and a barber-shop, and then another group of drinking-halls, and there are no screen doors to hide the bars. No; gambling is not winked at by the municipality, it is boldly smiled upon, and flourishes like a green bay-tree upon a score of green baize tables. Even the smoking-room of our hotel nightly resounds to the click of the ivory chips along with the chink of silver dollars; but in the glorious, healthful atmosphere of Arizona much of the abjectness of these pitiable pursuits is lost.

Hopi Land, also known as Moki Land, in Arizona is the home of the strangest of our fellow-countrymen

Accompanied by his entourage that included Oscar B. Depue, Holmes visited northern Arizona in 1898 and 1899. They made the first movies taken in Arizona of such subjects as the Hopi Snake Dance and Captain John Hance leading tourist groups into at the Grand Cañon. While visiting the Hopis, Holmes and Depue staged a chase scene where a young white woman from Denver, "Rattlesnake Jack," challenges the braves to catch her when she steals the Chief's horse.

Hopi Land, also known as Moki Land, in Arizona is the home of the strangest of our fellow-countrymen. Moki Land is unique; it is a changeless corner of our land of perpetual change. The Mokis are a pueblo people, differing from other tribes of the southwest in language, customs, and religion. They dwell in seven villages, each set like an acropolis upon a barren rock, high above the barren, boundless sands of the Arizona desert.

How long they have lived there in the sunshine, no man knows. The Spaniards found them there in 1541, living and praying and performing their religious ceremonies, just as they had lived and prayed and worshipped for uncounted centuries.

The name "Moki," which we now erroneously apply to this little nation, means literally "dead people," and was originally a term of derision given by the warlike

Apaches and Navajos to these peaceful farmers and home-builders. Ask one of the boys whom we find playing in the Plaza of Walpi what he is, and he will say that he belongs to the "hop," or "good people," for Hopi is the original name by which these Pueblo-builders call themselves, although the term "Moki," once an insult, has almost lost its derisive meaning and is not seriously resented.

Subjects of conversation, by the way, are few in Hopi Land; but never-failing topics are the lack of water, the condition of the springs, and the possibility of a copious downpour in response to the invocations of the priests. The one thought uppermost in Hopi minds is how to bring the rains down from the passing clouds upon the thirsty fields and into their empty reservoirs and cisterns. The whole complicated symbolism of their religion illustrates this never absent aspiration. The ceremonies we are soon to witness, however vague their meaning may appear, are all performed by a believing people to the end that springs may flow abundantly, that copious rains may fall, and that bounteous crops of corn and beans and melons may grow up out of the desert sands.

The whole complicated symbolism of the Hopi religion illustrates this never absent aspiration

The Snake Dance of 1898 was performed in August at Oraibi. Though Oraibi is the largest town of Moki Land, it is at the same time the one least in touch with the white man's civilization. In 1898, however, at least forty white visitors toiled up the trail and roamed through the broad street of the big village, peeping into Hopi houses, frightening the timid children, and affording a new subject of conversation for the elders, who so rarely see a white stranger.

The final invocation begins, this is a symbolic ceremony, not a dance. The Antelope and Snake Fraternities begin a low peculiar chant, swaying their bodies, waving their

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feather wands, pointing them to the ground. The humming chant is almost wordless; it represents the sighing of the winds, the rushing of the storm-clouds, while the accompanying rattles play an obligato as of thunder. There is in it all a mystery and dignity which cannot be described.

**Do we ever really travel in America?
We do travel in Europe, in Asia, in Africa—
but is it not true that in our own country
we are usually “just goin’” somewhere**

As the ceremony continues, you will see some of the priests take snakes of various kinds from the kisi; then, holding the neck between the teeth and the body in the hands, dance slowly round and round, followed by other priests whose duty is to aid the carrier in case of need, and to gather up the wriggling snakes and prevent their escape after they have been dropped to the ground. One by one, the snakes, about sixty in number, many of them venomous rattlers, are carried round the plaza. Meantime, women with baskets of cornmeal assemble near at hand. A priest draws with the sacred meal a circle on the ground. Into this circle all the snakes are hurled, forming a coiling pyramid of horror. For an instant, the dancers pause, and then on a signal will rush forward, plunging their arms into the writhing heap, and seize as many reptiles as the hand will hold, and then away dash the frenzied bearers with the garlands of intertangled serpents, down the steep trails toward the desert which

has grown dark and somber, for the sun has set. Far and wide the priests have scattered, lost in the dimness of the world below.

When half an hour later they return, their hands are empty, the snakes, messengers sure of as hearing with the spirits of the underworld, have been set at liberty and are now bearing the petitions of the people to the rulers of the rain. We do not know why the holy men of Moki Land do not fear the rattlesnake or how they render its dreaded fangs innocuous. The secret of immunity remains a Hopi secret, jealously guarded by the successive generations of the brotherhoods.

It is an incontrovertible fact that the Hopi prayers are usually far more efficacious in bringing rains than are the prayers of the average country clergymen. But on the day following the invocation, there burst over the villages a terrific thunderstorm. The north heavens were as black as night, fierce lightning flashed, and the rain descended, as if entire lakes had been snatched up by the grateful Rain Gods, wrapped in black vapors, and dispatched to Hopi Land to answer the prayers of the Good People. Yet the downpour fell only upon the Hopi mesas and upon their fields. [1898]

Someone once said of California “It is our Italy.” California is more than that

Long years ago in the piny depths of the Yellowstone National Park I met a lone wanderer touring through that Northwestern wonderland with two ponies, one

for himself and one for his pack. He had no tent, only a sleeping-bag, and his camp kitchen was rudimentary and extremely portable. He could mobilize in a minute. He had been on the move for many months and intended to keep on the move until he had seen all there was to see between his home town in the Middle West and his Ultima Thule—the Golden Gate. His expenses averaged just 50 cents a day. He sized up my comparatively elaborate outfit and inquired, “Are you travelin’, or just goin’ somewhere?” I did not know just how to answer him. Do we ever really travel in America? We do travel in Europe, in Asia, in Africa—but is it not true that in our own country we are usually “just goin’” somewhere—

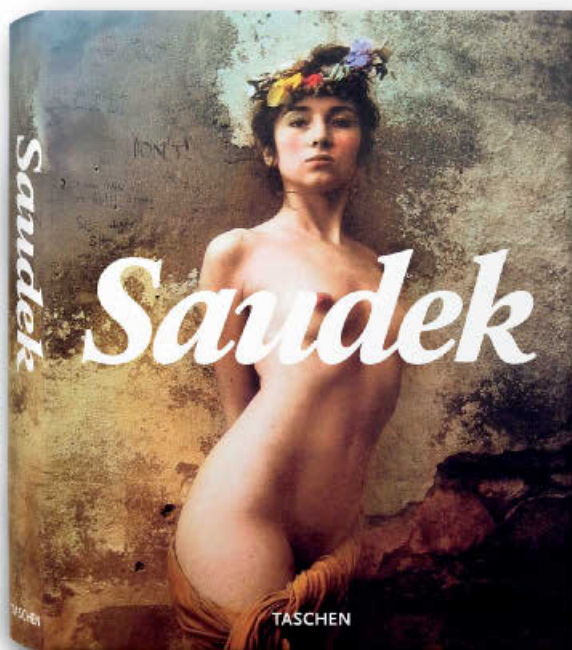


more often than not going to the same place we went to last year and the year before? In the course of our goings to and fro at home few of us ever get that delightful sense of being elsewhere, that fascinating “foreign feel” that lends so much charm to travel abroad—in the older world of Europe or the East. Yet this travel thrill born of strangeness and difference and novelty, or inspired by the historical associations of some place or scene, is to be had in our own country if we will “go abroad at home” in the same spirit in which we go abroad—abroad. Someone once said of California “It is our Italy.” California is more than that. It is not only our Italy with its sunshine and flowers, its volcanoes and vineyards; it is our Riviera too, with its blue skies, its rocky cliffs, its plutocratic villas looking down upon an azure sea and its costly caravansaries for the homeless rich. It is our Egypt, with its reclaimed deserts: a carefree “Bohemia” lives again in California’s colossal groves. It is our Spain, with its old churches, silent cloisters and crumbling epoch-marking missions, its liquid Castilian place-names, its barrancos and arroyos. California is today more Spanish than it has been since it became American.

Opposite: Mules hauling shipment of borax cross-County, Death Valley, California, ca. 1898 **Above:** Wilshire Links Miniature Golf Course, Beverly Hills, California, 1931 **Left:** The Normandie pulls into port, New York Harbor, 1935

The theater of sensual dreams

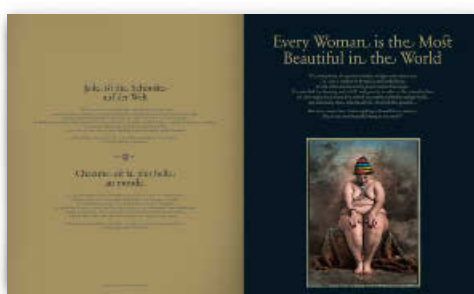
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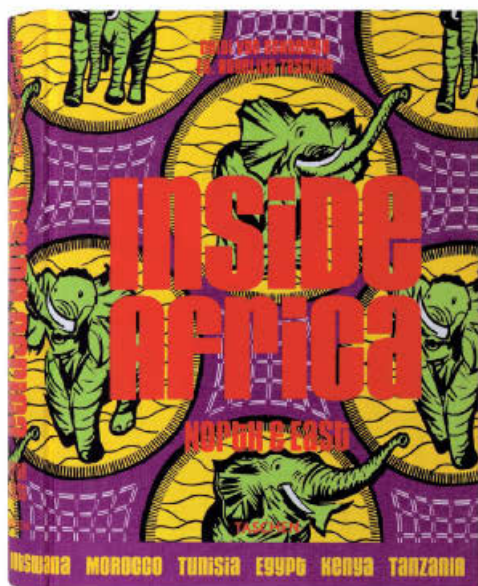
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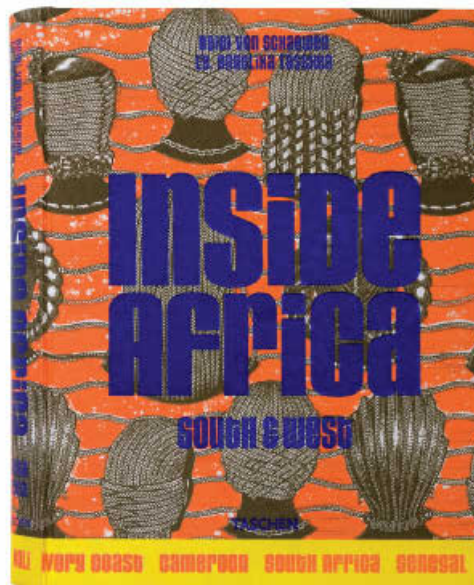
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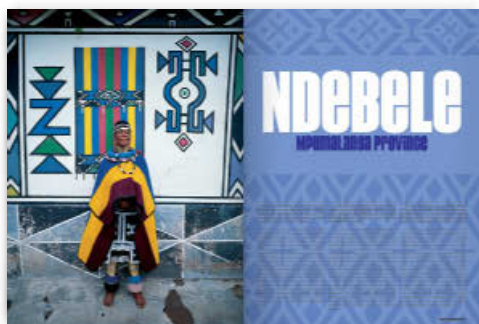
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The authors: After ten years in fashion as a stylist, **Laurence Dougier** discovered the world of architecture and decoration in South Africa, where she lived for three years. Returning to Paris, she became a journalist and stylist, freelancing for magazines such as *A&D*, *Elle décoration*, and *Côté Sud*. After 10 years as an international correspondent for *French press*, **Frédéric Couderc** worked for the French television station Canal+. Specialized in Africa, he recently published his first novel, *Prince Ebene*, the story

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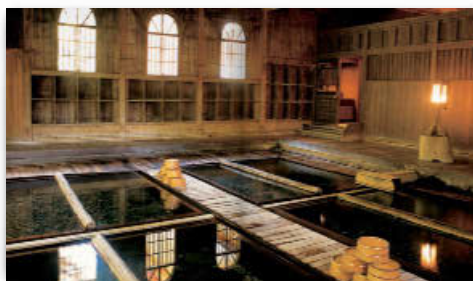
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The photographer: Swiss photographer **Reto Guntli**, based in Zurich, regularly travels the world taking photos for international magazines. He has published numerous books and contributed to TASCHEN publications, such as *Inside Asia* and *Great Escapes Europe*.

The authors: Author, art collector, calligrapher, and director of programs in traditional Asian arts, **Alex Kerr** has lived in Japan and Thailand since 1964. As a writer,

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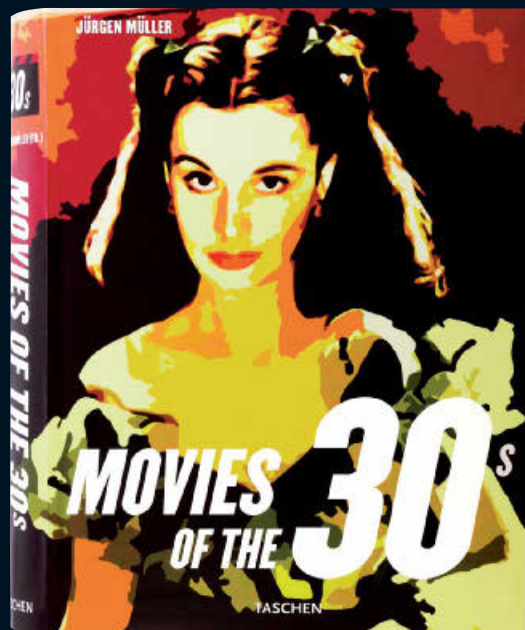
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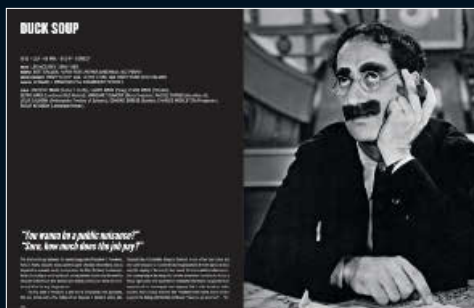
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While American moviegoers flocked to the theaters to escape their troubles and find solace in the magical world of Hollywood movies, filmmakers in Europe were experimenting with new techniques in a medium that had only recently gained sound; Fritz Lang's German Expressionist *M* (1931) and Jean Renoir's anti-war masterpiece *The Grand Illusion* (1937) greatly enhanced cinema as an art form, while Leni Riefenstahl's visually stunning *Olympia* (1936–38) pushed the limits of the medium's technical capacities. It's clear that while the 1930s was a time of poverty and struggle for many people, the world of cinema was much enriched.

The editor: **Jürgen Müller** studied art history in Bochum, Paris, Pisa, and Amsterdam. He has worked as an art critic, a curator of numerous exhibitions, a visiting professor at various universities, and has published books and numerous articles on cinema and art history. Currently he holds the chair for art history at the University of Dresden, where he lives. Müller is the series editor for TASCHEN's *Movies* decade titles.

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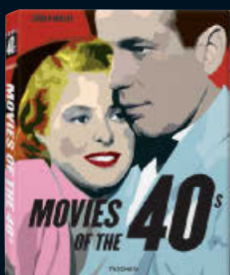
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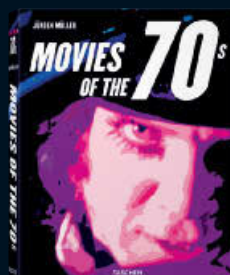
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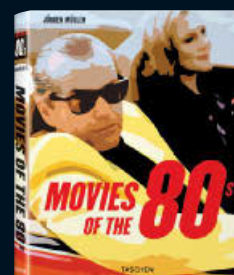
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Desperately Seeking Descartes

Cartesian? The French say they are. René Descartes (1596–1650) was the founder of analytic geometry and also of 17th century rationalism, but he may be best known for the phrase “Cogito ergo sum” (I think therefore I am). An overview of contemporary French architecture certainly reveals a lot of thinking, a wealth of complex forms that seems to defy easy classification. What is clear is that trends like the minimalism seen in the work of English architects John Pawson or David Chipperfield has had a difficult time crossing the English Channel. At the other extreme, French architects certainly aren't as enamored of extravagant computer-driven forms as the nearby Dutch, but it was in France that Lars Spuybroek of NOX was able to build his Maison-Folie (Lille-Wazemmes, 2001). What other country would select

cutting-edge Japanese architects to build new structures for the Pompidou Center (Shigeru Ban, Metz) or the Louvre (SANAA, Sejima+Nishizawa, Lens)? In the past 25 years, France has called on foreign architects for high-profile projects such as the Louvre Pyramid (I.M. Pei), the Bastille Opera (Carlos Ott), or the Arche de la Défense (Johann Otto von Spreckelsen). The Mitterrand years (1981–95) did a great deal to reveal native talents at the same time as these major projects (Grand Travaux) were being carried out. Jean Nouvel with his Institut du Monde Arabe on the Seine in Paris, Christian de Portzamparc (Cité de la Musique, Paris), Dominique Perrault (French National Library) all came to public attention thanks to the substantial resources lavished by the government on these new facilities. Another trend

emerged almost simultaneously with the rise to fame of interior or furniture designers like Philippe Starck or Jean-Michel Wilmotte who worked closely with Pei on the museum design in the Louvre. Both of these figures have also delved into architecture with some success. More recently, a new generation of designers, many of whom were initially trained by Starck's office, have emerged on the international stage, at the point of juncture between design and architecture. Patrick Jouin or Matali Crasset are in this category. With ups and downs often related to economic considerations and varying degrees of government intervention, France has thus succeeded in maintaining a vibrant architectural culture while opening its borders to outside designers more than most other developed countries.

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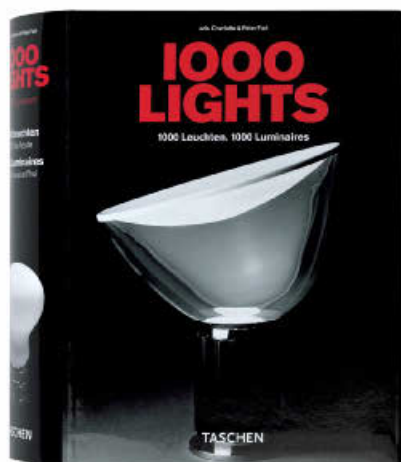
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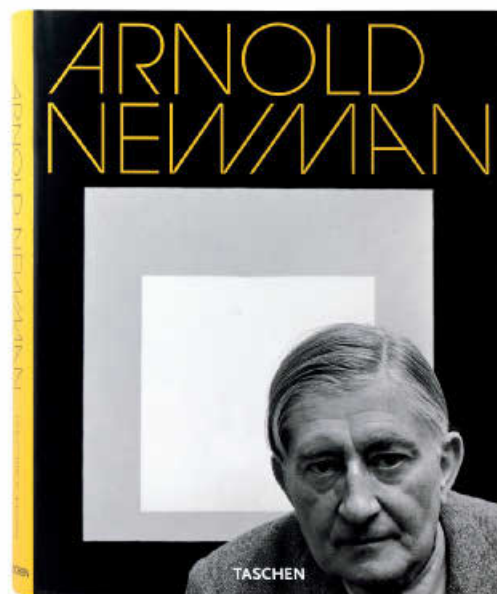
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1938 and 1942 he concentrated on socio-documentary photography in the ghettos of West Palm Beach, Philadelphia, and Baltimore. One might think that being forced to earn his living in a photography studio would have stifled his artistic potential: Newman portrayed up to 70 clients a day. Yet he still succeeded in developing a very personal touch and establishing himself in the New York art scene of the early 1940s. His subjects included Marcel Duchamp, Marc Chagall, Jackson Pollock, Willem de Kooning, and Alexander Calder among many others. With his unmistakable style, Newman became the star photographer of artists, writers, and musicians.

This new edition, which includes recent work and an updated biography, provides a sweeping overview of Newman's illustrious career.

The author: **Philip Brookman** is curator of photography and media art at the Corcoran Gallery of Art, Washington, DC. Brookman's projects include the exhibition and book *Half Past Autumn: The Art of Gordon Parks*, and the touring exhibitions and books *Raised by Wolves: Photographs and Documents* by Jim Goldberg, and *Hospice: A Photographic Inquiry* for the Corcoran Gallery.

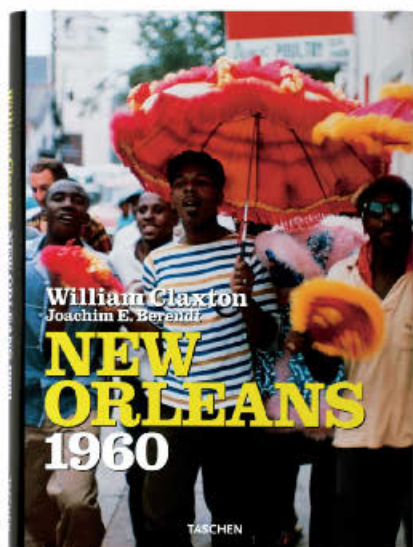


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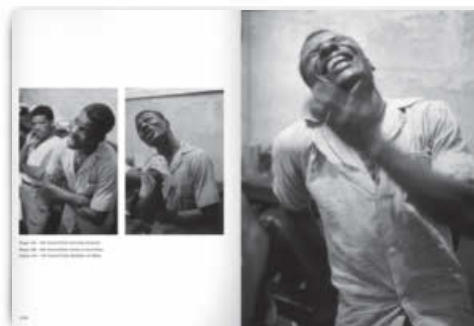


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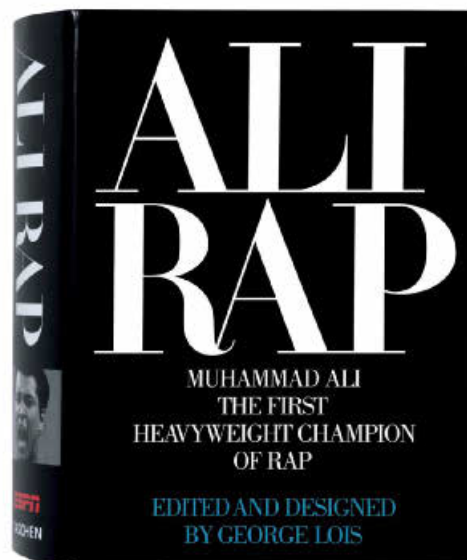
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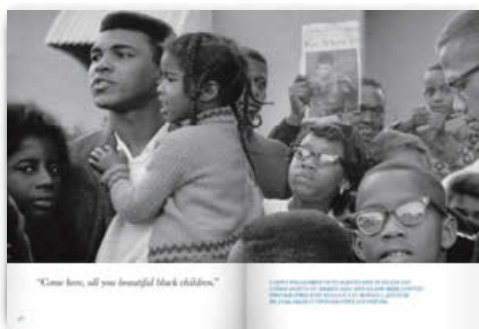
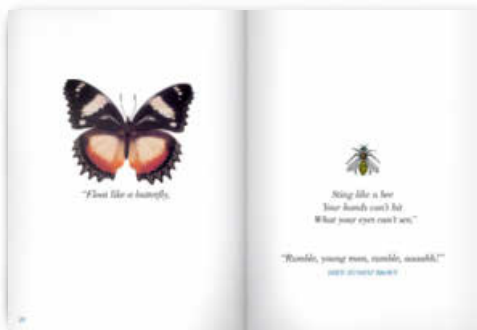
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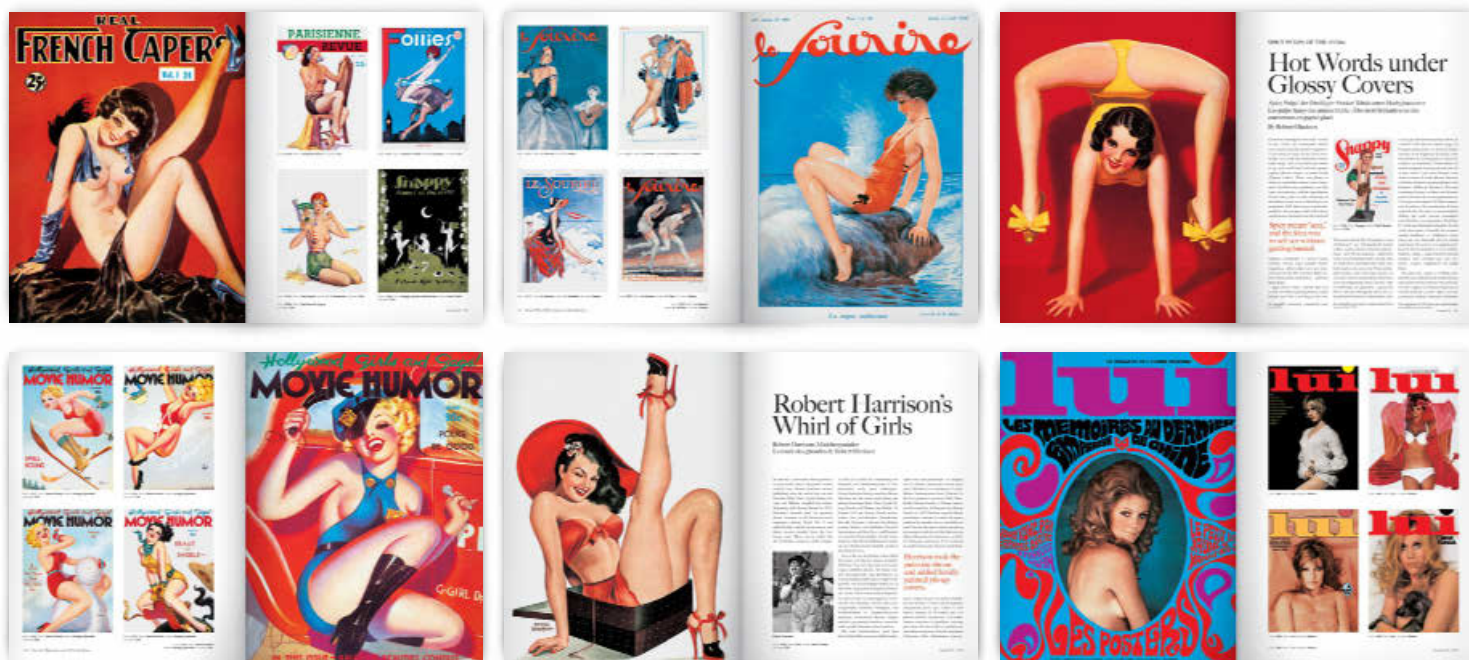
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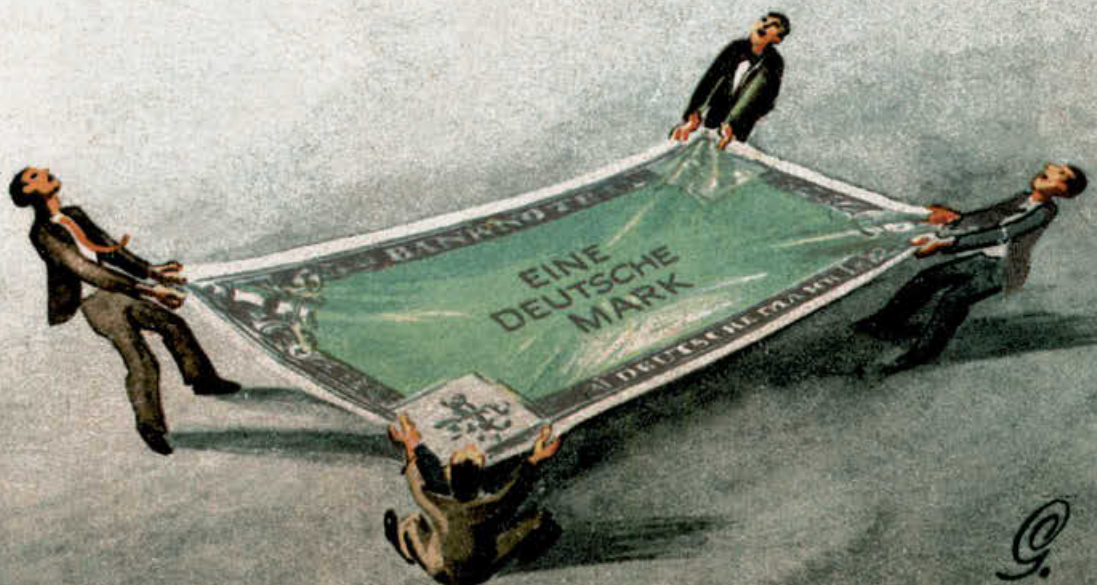
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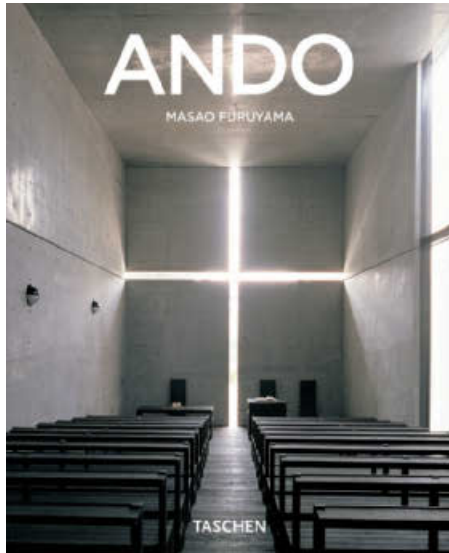
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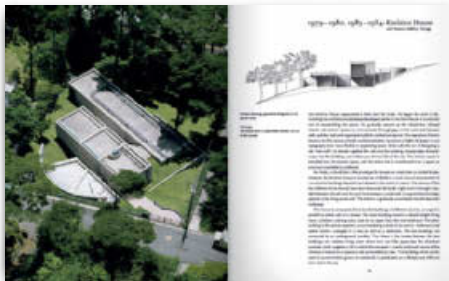


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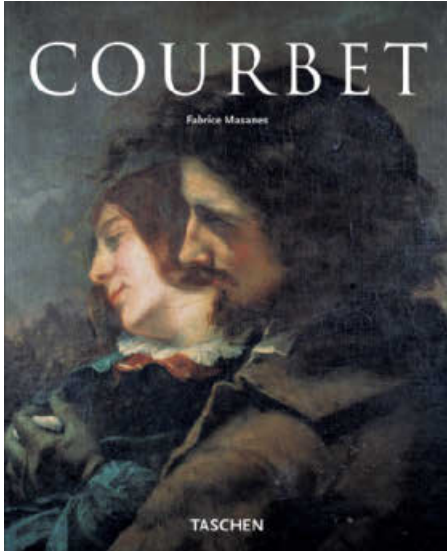
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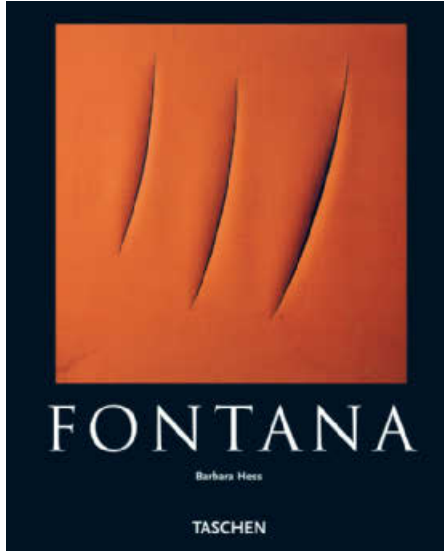
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LUCIO FONTANA "A new fact in Sculpture"

Barbara Hess

Italian artist Lucio Fontana (1899–1968) tore apart the modern art establishment—literally. Trained initially as a sculptor, Fontana blurred the lines between painting and sculpture by creating works that combined both form and color in a spatial context, most famously exemplified by his slashed canvases of the 1950s and '60s. Fontana's work was truly conceptual, in that the ideas he wanted to express were more important than the actual work itself; with titles like *Concetto Spaziale* (Spatial Concept) and *Scultura Spaziale* (Spatial Sculpture), his pieces served as visual explanations of his ideas. From his early work in collaborating with architects through his years in Buenos Aires, his experimental light installations of the early 1950s, and his later experiments with various media, this book covers the entire career of one of Italy's pioneering abstract artists.



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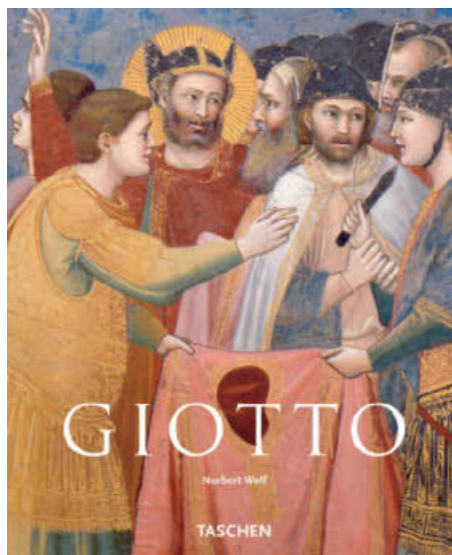
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According to legend, he was discovered by Cimabue as a boy, sketching his father's sheep. Giotto di Bondone (1267–1337) was the most famous and influential painter of his generation in Italy. As the pioneer of modern painting, his impact was so enormous that his artist colleagues in Florence, however capable, were left struggling to keep up. Amongst his surviving works, his masterpieces are undoubtedly his decoration, from 1303 to 1305, of the private chapel built by the financier Enrico Scrovegni for his family in a former Roman amphitheater in Padua, the frescoes cycle in the Upper Church of Assisi, and the frescoes in side chapels of Santa Croce in Florence. The simplicity and strength of his forms, as well as the humanism he infused in his works, set him apart from his Byzantine contemporaries and at the forefront of Italian painting in the early years of the Renaissance.



JEAN-AUGUSTE-DOMINIQUE INGRES

The classical idealist

Karin H. Grimme

French Neoclassical painter Jean-Auguste-Dominique Ingres (1780–1867) was one of the 19th century's major portrait and historical painters. First trained in drawing by Europe's most famous classicist painter, Jacques-Louis David, Ingres went to Rome in his twenties, where he immersed himself in Greco-Roman art and the works of Raphael, Holbein, and Titian, and, while in Florence in 1819, was greatly influenced by Masaccio. He returned to Paris in 1824 and started his triumphant career. In 1825 he was awarded the Order of the Legion of Honor by King Charles X. Though renowned for his painting of Oriental nudes reclining in harems or Turkish baths, Ingres was also a master draftsman, perhaps the most significant of the 19th century, and left 4,000 sketches and drawings to his hometown of Montauban. In opposition to the Romantics, Ingres upheld classical idealism with its clarity of line.

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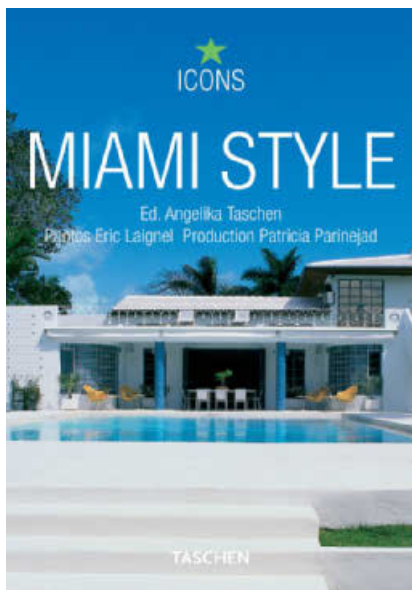
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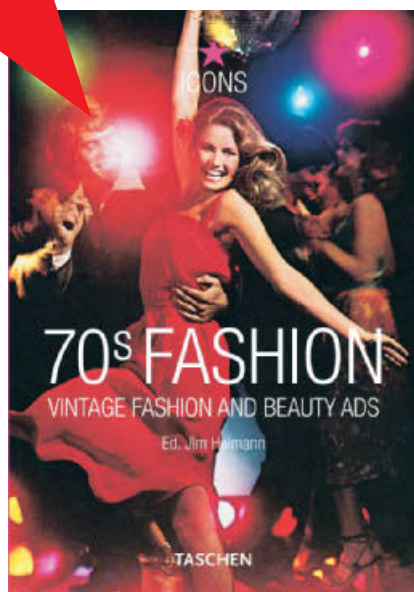


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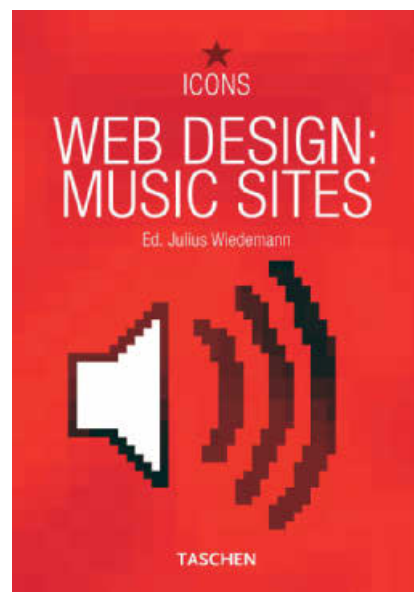


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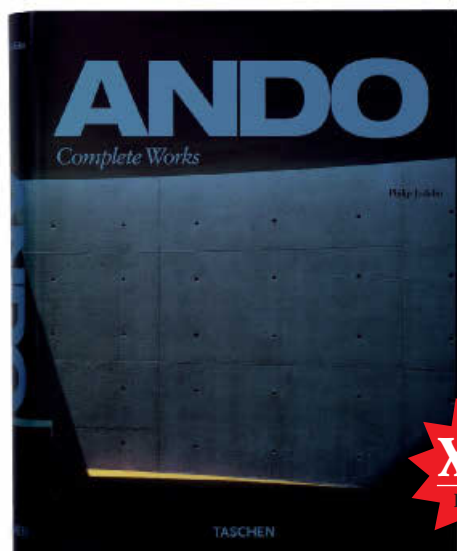
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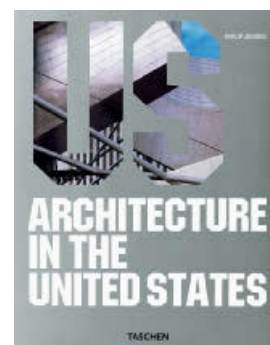
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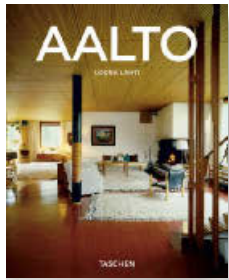
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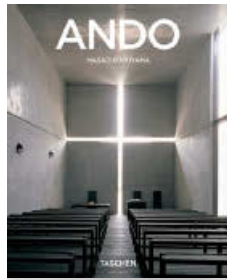
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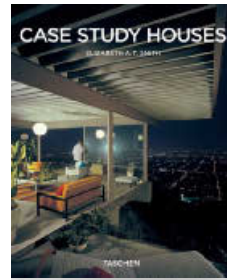


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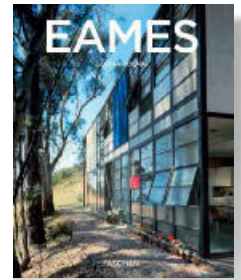


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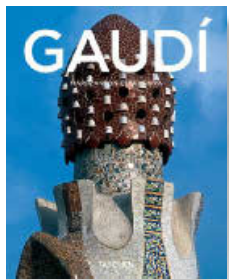
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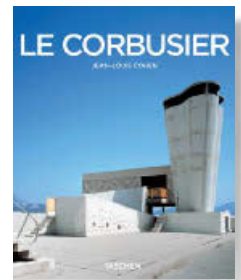
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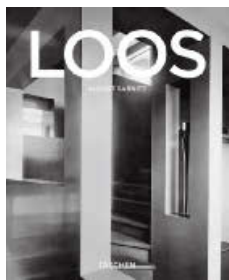
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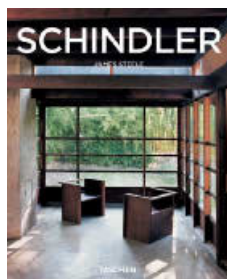
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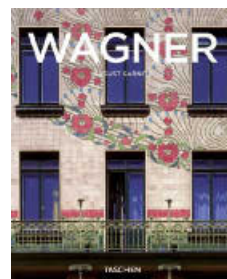
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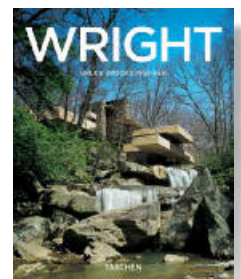
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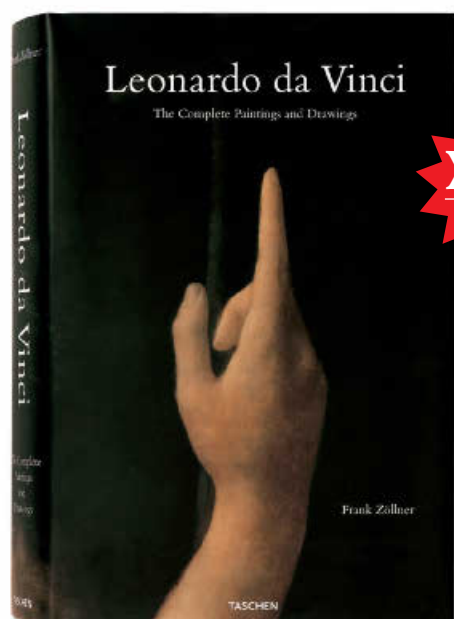


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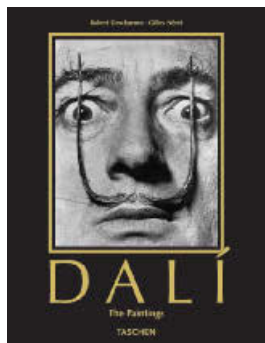
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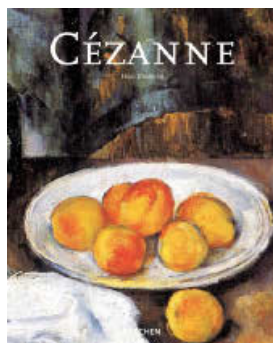
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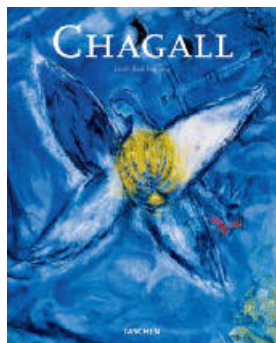
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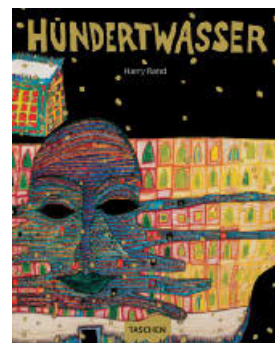
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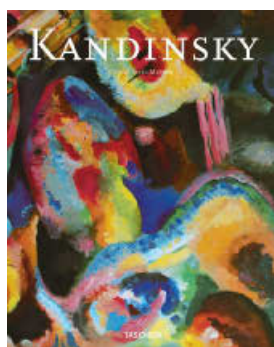
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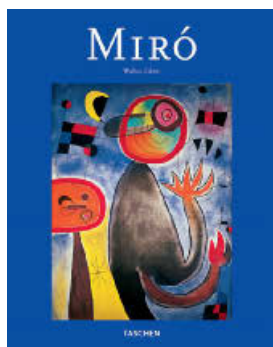
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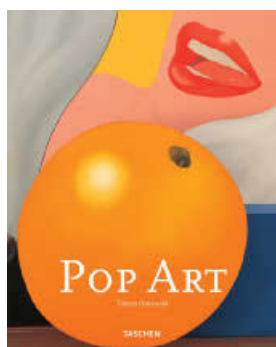
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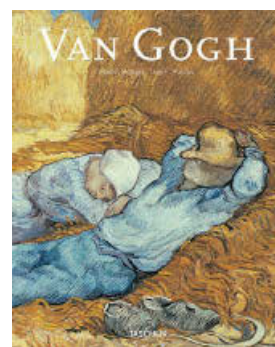
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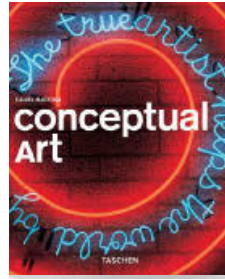


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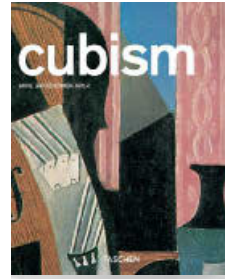


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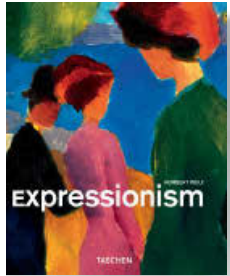
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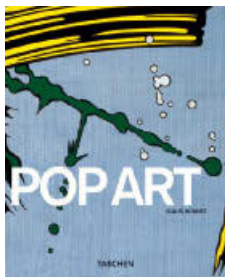
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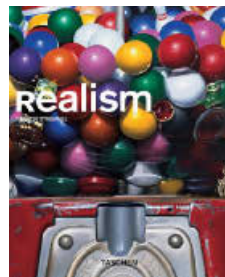
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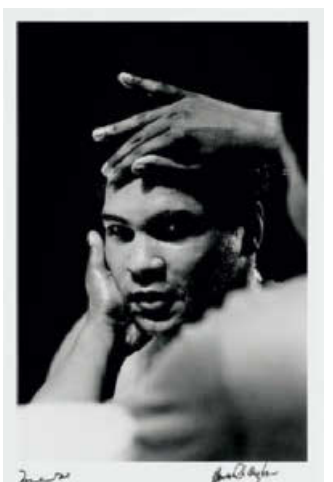
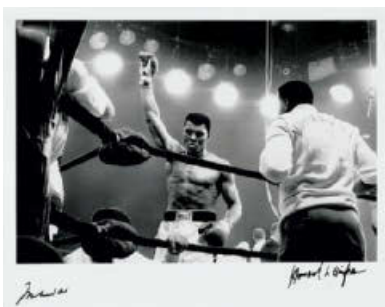
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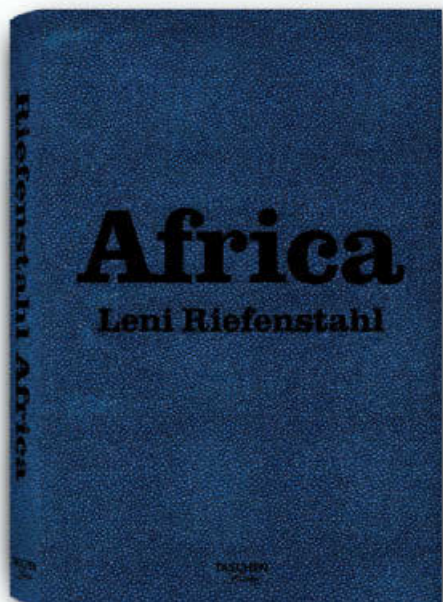
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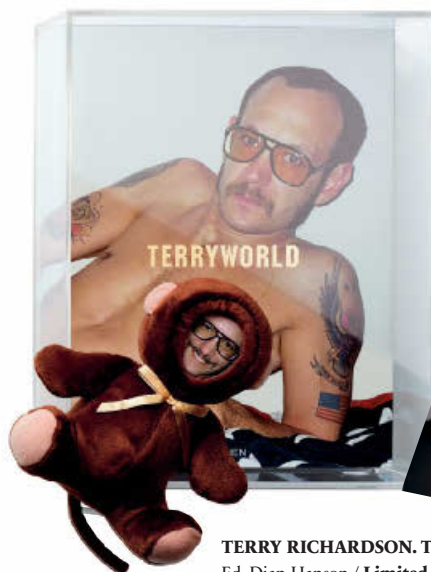


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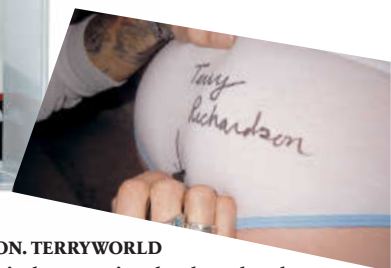
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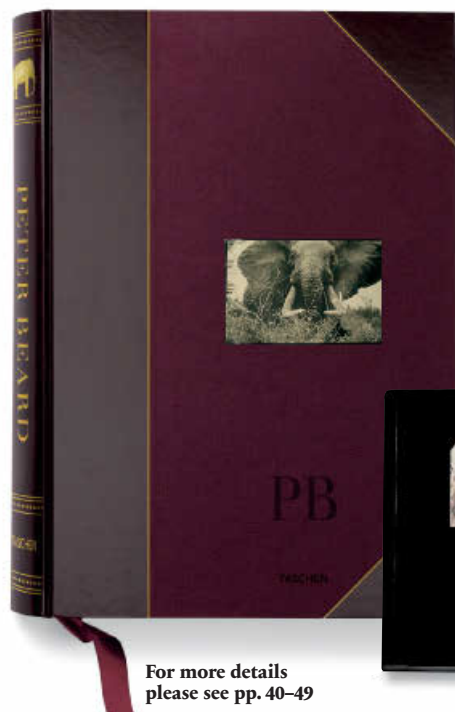
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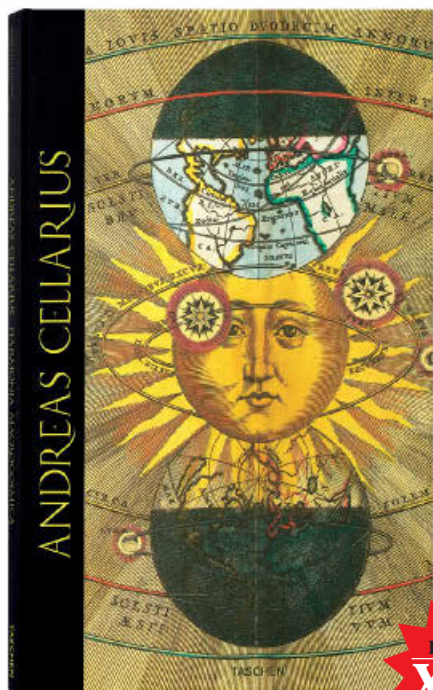
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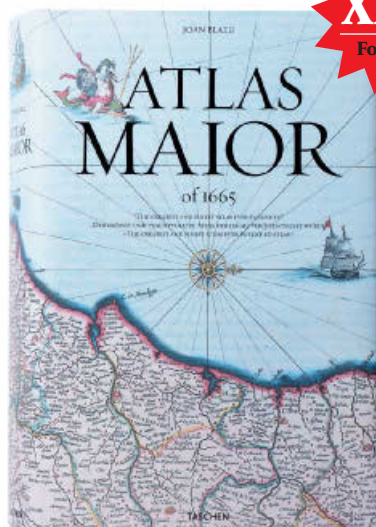
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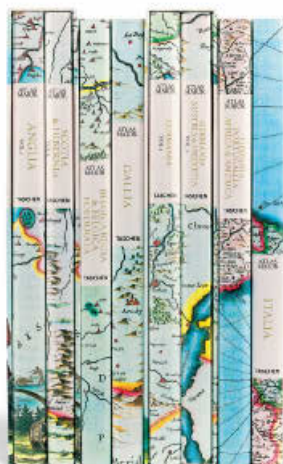
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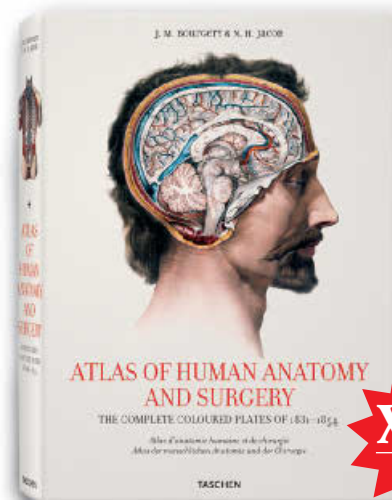


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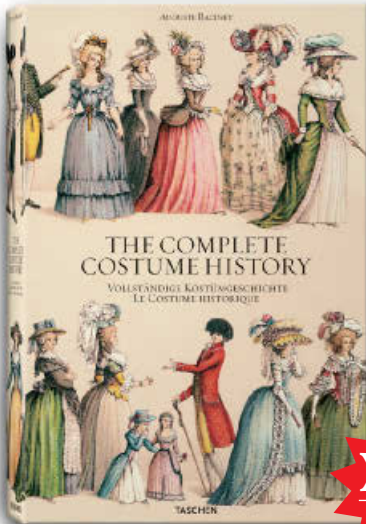
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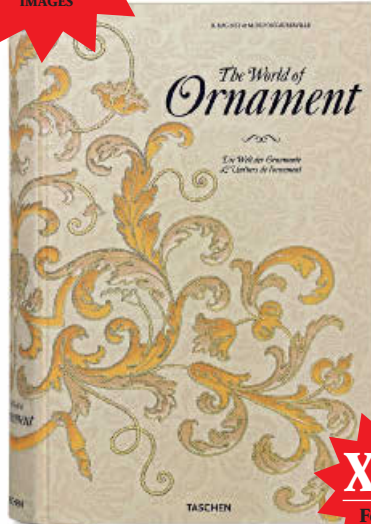


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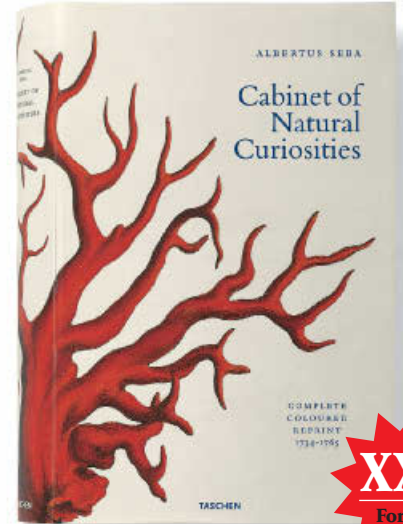


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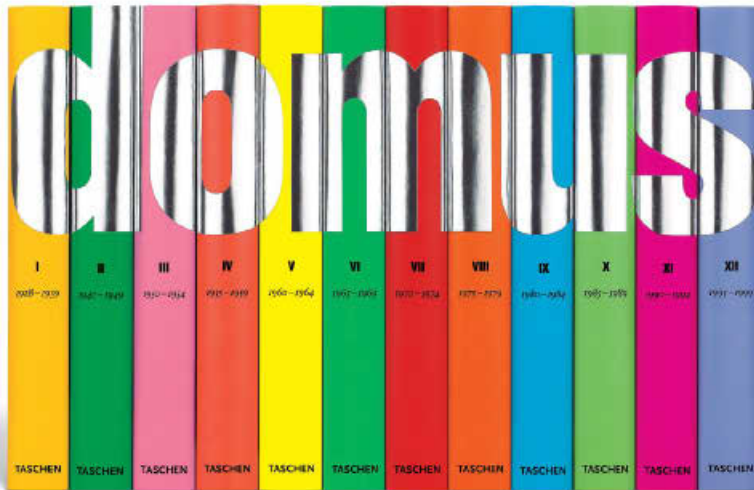


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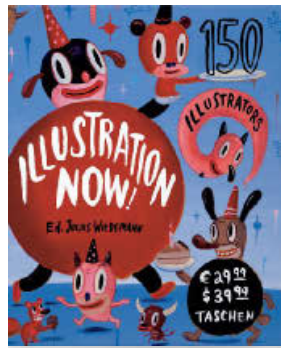
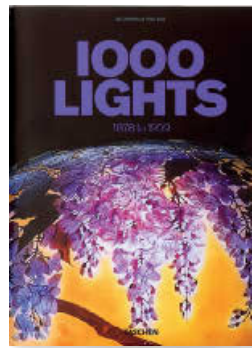


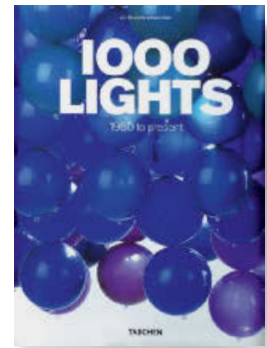
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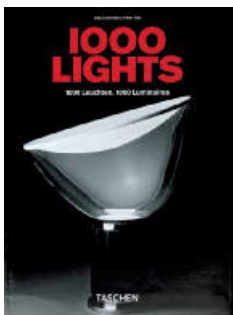
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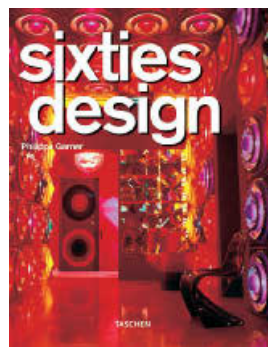
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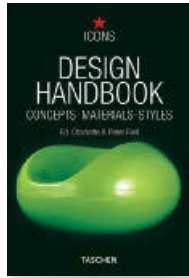
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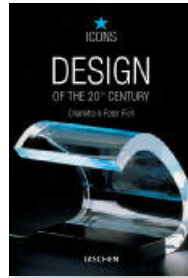
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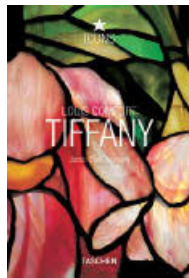
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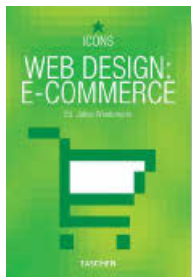
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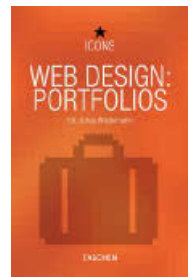


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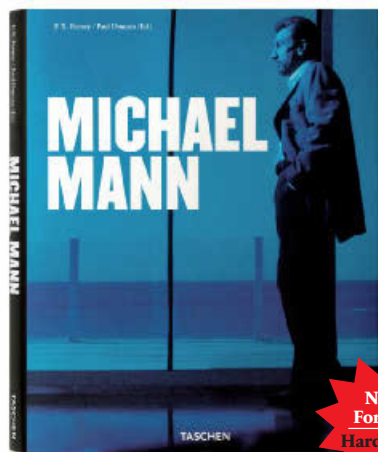
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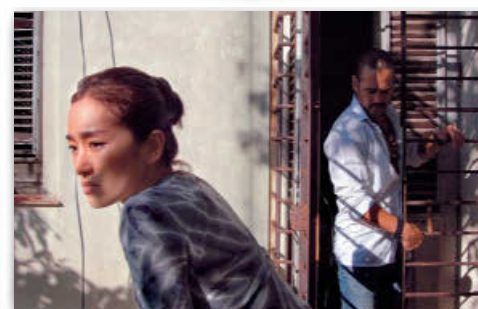
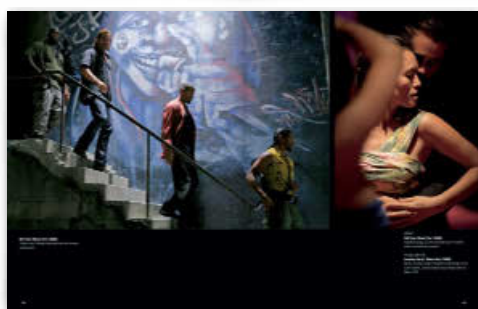


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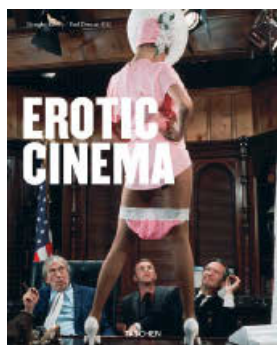
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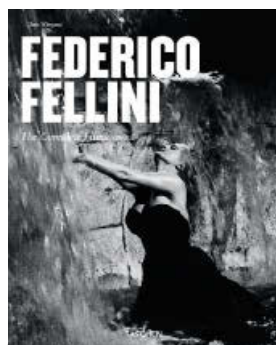
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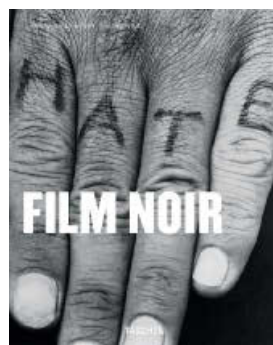
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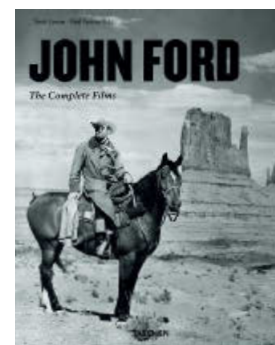
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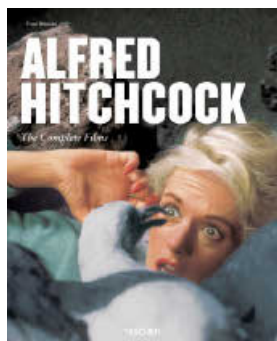
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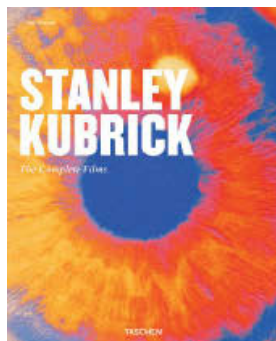
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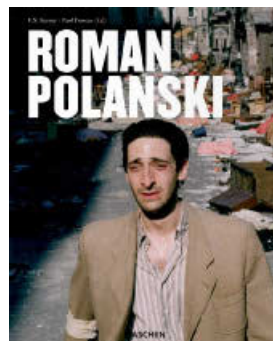
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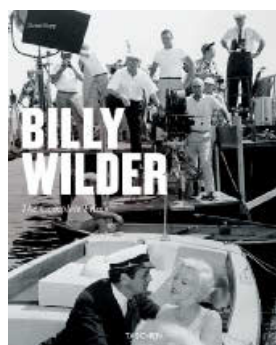
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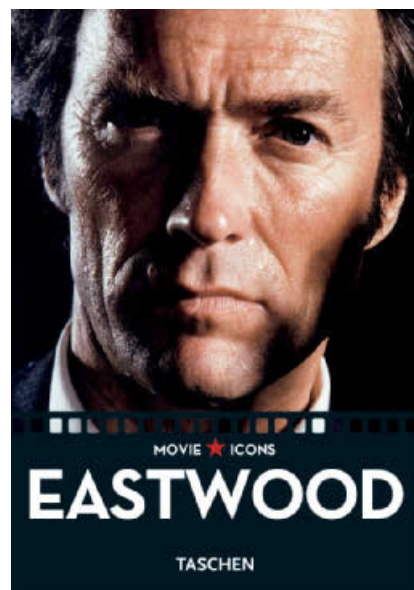
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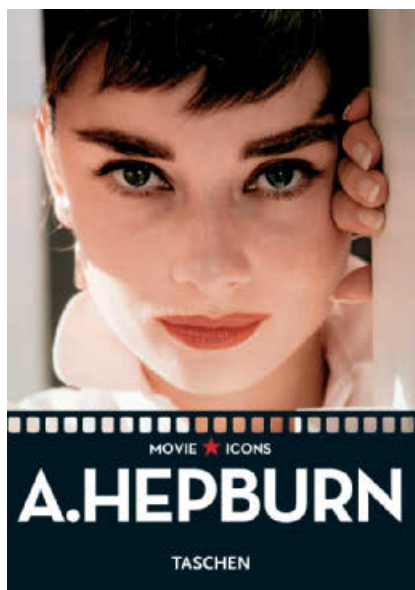
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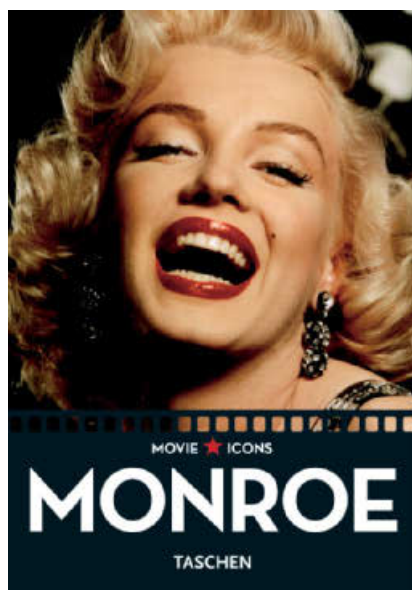
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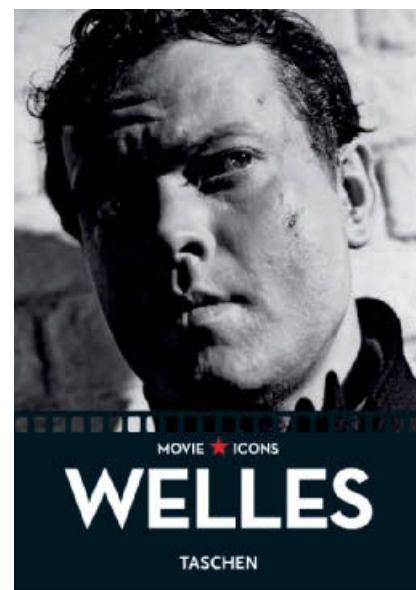
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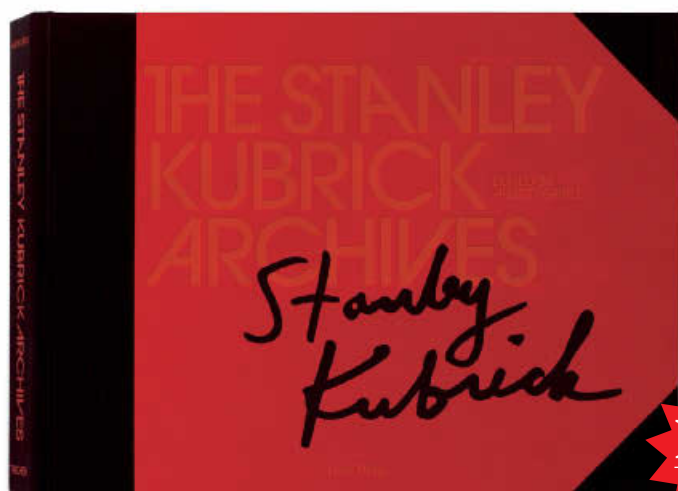


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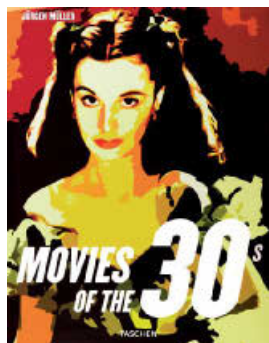
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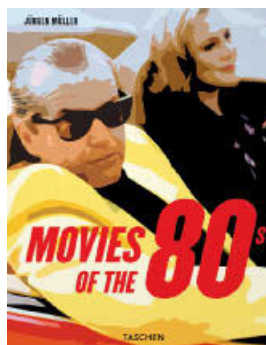
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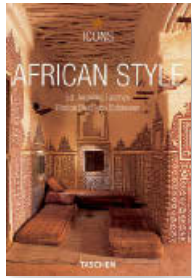
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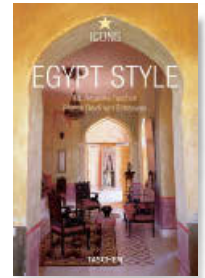


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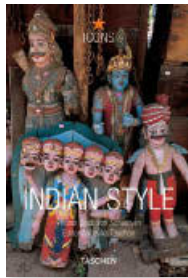
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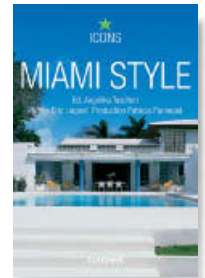
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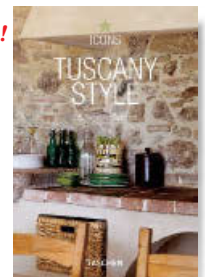
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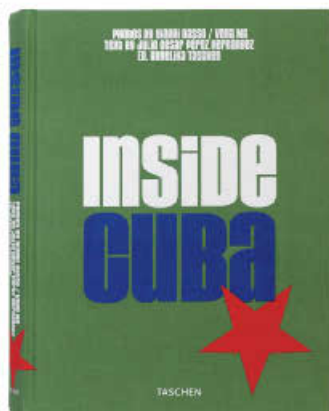


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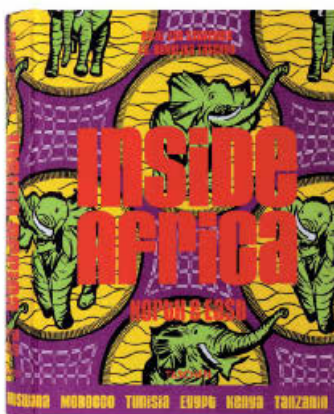
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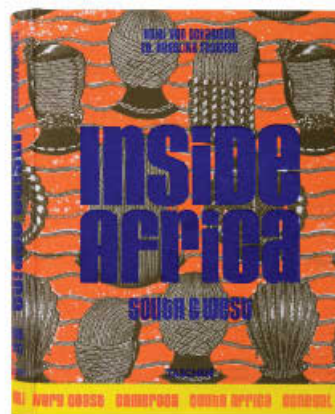
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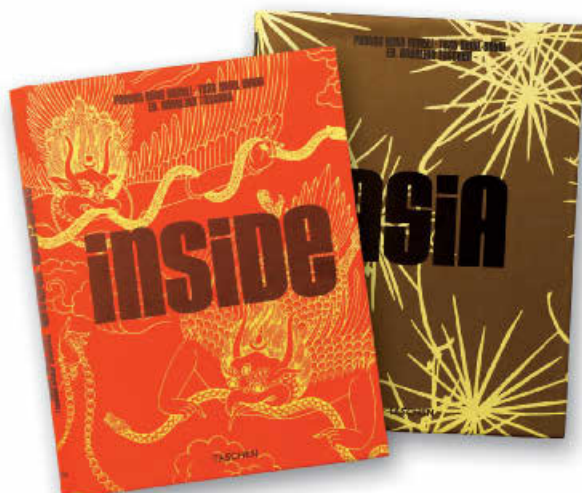


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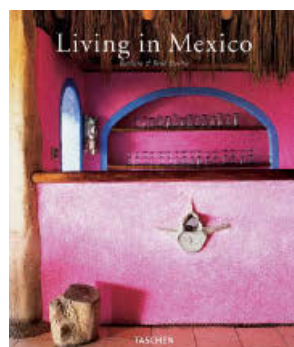
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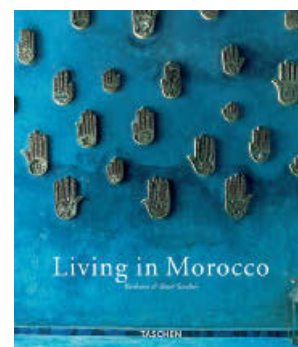
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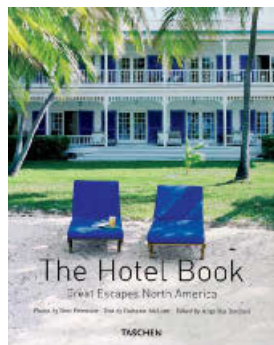
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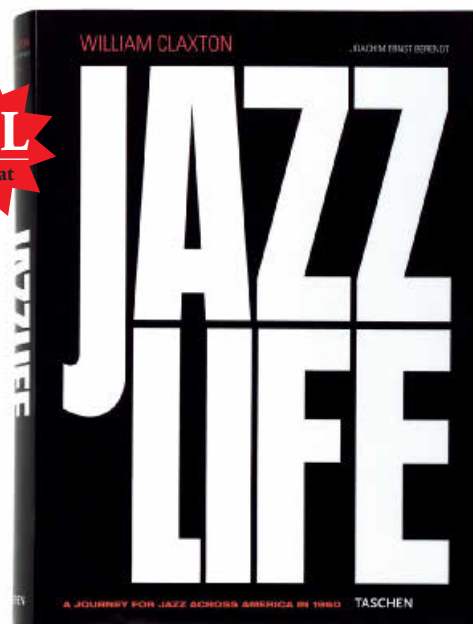
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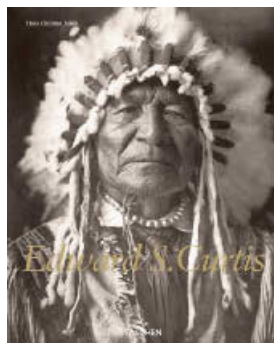
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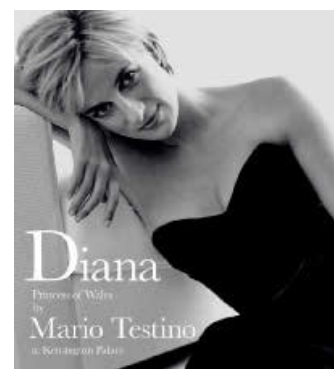
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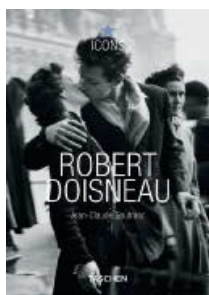
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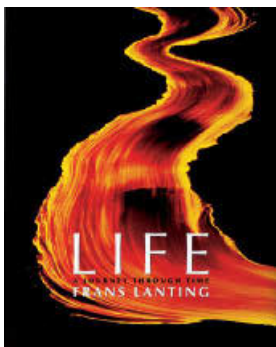
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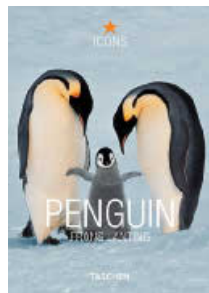
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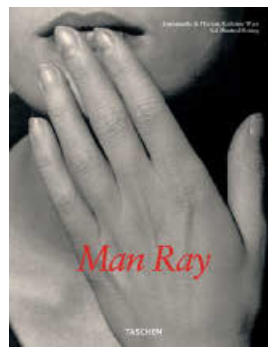


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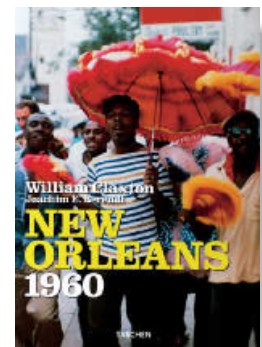
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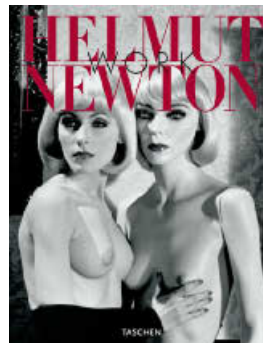
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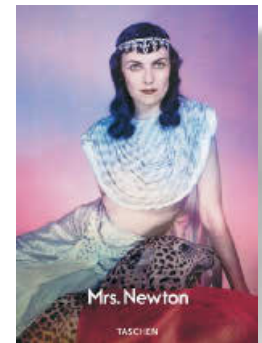
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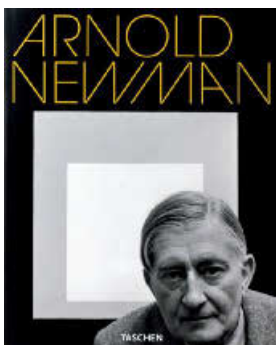
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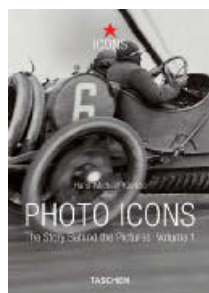


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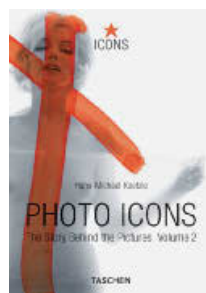


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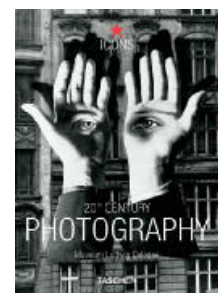
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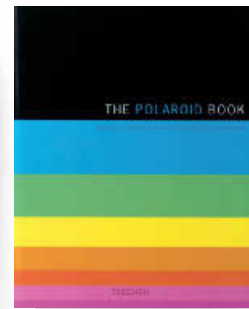
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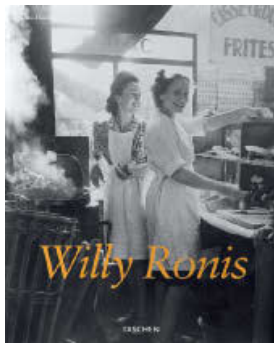
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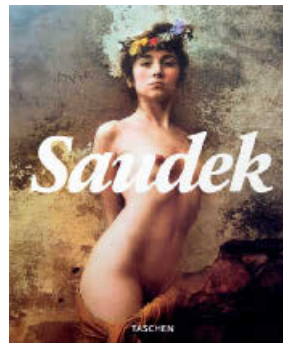
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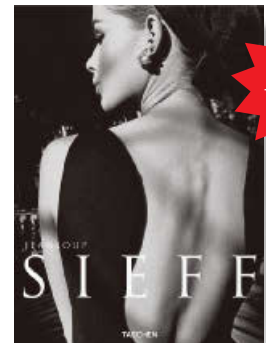


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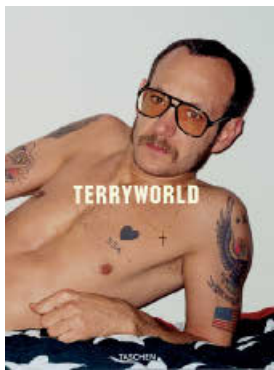
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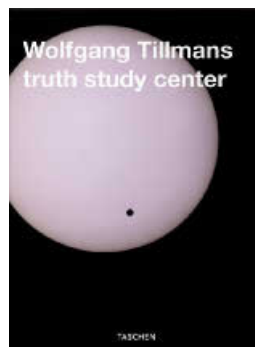
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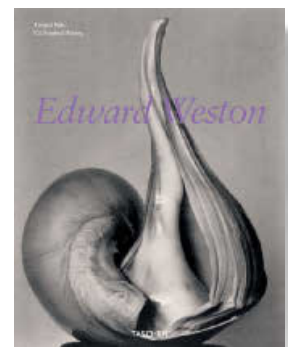
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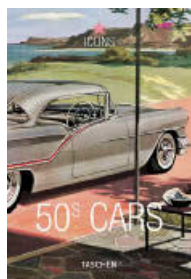
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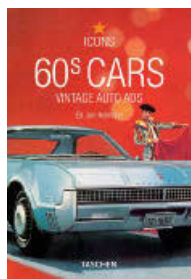
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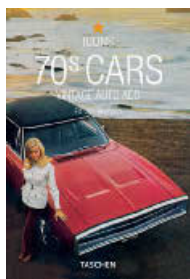
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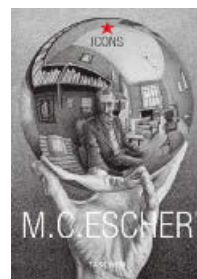
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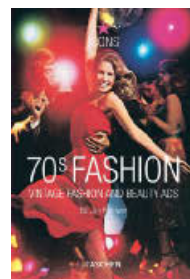
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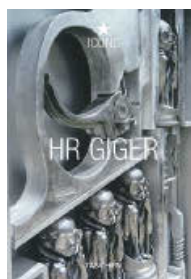


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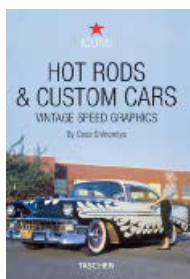
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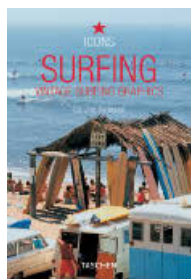
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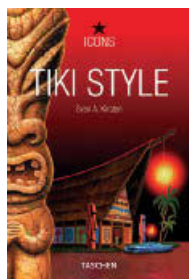
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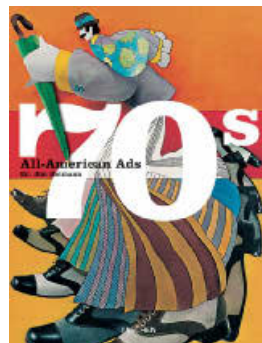
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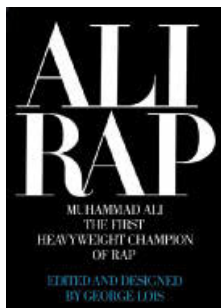
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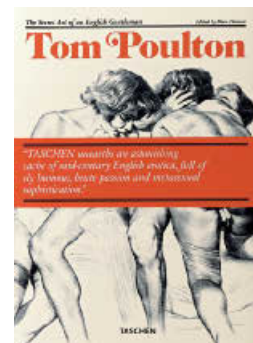
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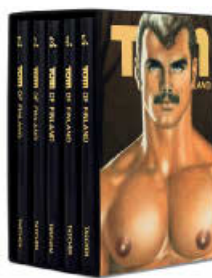
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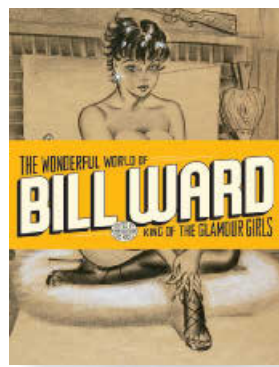
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